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COURT TO END SLAVE TRADE?

By LAURIE SCHWAB

The Australian transfer fee system may be blown out of existence if either of two explosive wrangles reaches the courts.

The practice of demanding transfer fees for players switching clubs constitutes restraint of trade — and the clubs have known it long enough.

Restraint of trade is illegal.

If a player were to test the transfer system in court, he would surely win. That is the view of a prominent Queen's Counsel.

After all, the transfer system in NSW Rugby League was abolished after a court case.

There are no longer transfer fees in Sydney Rugby.

That could be the case with soccer throughout Australia.

The test case may **be John Davies'** wrangle with South Sydney Croatia over his proposed move to Canberra City, or it could be another current transfer wrangle in Melboure.

The Melbourne case is fairly well advanced but we are not yet able to name the parties involved.

Even if neither of these gets to the courts, the soccer transfer system is living only on borrowed time.

The system will be tested — be it now or later. Nothing is surer.

In the Davies case, the young midfielder wants to leave Croatia to join Johnny Warren's Canberra City.

Croatia at first demanded a transfer fee of $15,000 but has generously cut it down to $12,000.

Both the NSW and Australian Soccer Federations have been asked by Canberra to step in, but neither has done so.

Davies joined Croatia from Canberra Lions and one side has it that it was agreed to allow Davies to return to Canberra free of charge when his contract expired, which was at the end of October.

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Johnny's triumph

Essendon Lions captain Johnny Gardiner holds up the Victorian Ampol Cup after his team's 3-0 victory over George Cross in the final at Olympic Park.

The victory had special significance for Gardiner because it was against his former club.

Essendon's goals were scored by Eddy Krncevic, Ken Murphy and Alex McConville (own goal). Krncevic's performance made him a late addition to the Victorian squad to meet South Australia on Monday (See page 3).

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Hellas centre back Chris Kalafatidis comes to the rescue of his goalkeeper Jack Reilly (on ground) as Sydney Olympic's new forward Ray Botham (left) lurks near goal. Hellas won the match 2-0.

RIGBY QUITS

Star midfielder Dave Rigby told Mooroolbark early on Saturday morning that he did not want to play against Western Suburbs that day.

Rigby had re-signed with Mooroolbark but apparently had not received the money promised to him.

The club was meeting last night to discuss the case.

Alexander v. Hellas on Sunday

Round two of the national league at the weekend should draw even more people than the 37,000 who watched the first round matches.

Top of the bill is the all-Greek clash between South Melbourne Hellas and Fitzroy Alexander at Middle Park at 3 p.m. on Sunday. It should draw over 10,000 fans.

See page 7.

Hakoah's mighty winger Hilton Silva (right) takes on Alexander right back Jim Campbell at Middle Park. Hakoah won 3-1. Picture by SAM BELFONTE.

5000 MILES FOR FIVE GOALS

Five goals and 5000 miles in seven days — that's Socceroo and Hellas striker Peter Ollerton's pace.

And what goals too! Last Sunday week he led Australia's come-back against New Zealand in Sydney with two storming goals, then on Wednesday, in Auckland he scored the all important goal that squeezed the Socceroos through.

Three days later, scoffing at jet-lag, he was back in Sydney again, this time spear-heading Hellas' triumphant National League debut with two more goals.

Meanwhile, back in Melbourne, he was unable to appear before the V.S.F. Tribunal to answer a sending off charge, as the A.S.F. has yet to decide what to do about players sent off in National League practice matches.

On Saturday, before Hellas played Sydney Olympic, Hellas boss **Sam Papasavas** sought a ruling from **Sir Arthur George** and was told to go ahead and play Ollerton.

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Geelong juniors

Geelong-Districts Junior Soccer Association Results:

Under 16: Ballarat v. Bell Park 1-0; Barwon City v. Hamlyn Rangers 1-1; Geelong United v. Brintons 3-0; North Geelong Bye.

Under 14: North Geelong v. Bell Park 1-0; Chanel College v. Corio 3-0; Barwon City v. Hamlyn Rangers 1-3; Geelong United Bye.

UNDER 16

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Geelong Utd	2	0	0	8	0	4
Hamlyn R.	1	1	0	4	3	3
Bell Park	1	0	1	5	5	2
Ballarat	1	0	1	3	3	2
Barwon C.	0	1	1	1	6	1
Nth Geel.	0	0	1	4	5	0
Brintons	0	0	1	0	3	0

UNDER 14

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Nth Geel.	2	0	0	2	0	4
Chanel Coll.	1	1	0	3	0	3
Hamlyn R.	1	1	0	3	1	3
Geelong Utd.	1	0	0	6	0	2
Bell Park	0	0	1	0	1	0
Corio	0	0	2	0	2	0
Barwon C.	0	0	2	1	9	0

UNDER 12

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Geelong	2	0	0	12	0	4
Barwon C.	1	1	0	7	1	3
Geelong Utd. A	1	1	0	4	3	3
Nth. Geelong	1	0	1	10	2	2
Corio	1	0	1	2	2	2
Bell Park	1	0	1	5	10	2
Geelong Utd B.	0	0	2	3	8	0
Hamlyn R.	0	0	2	0	17	0

UNDER 10

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Nth Geel. A.	2	0	0	13	0	4
Geelong	2	0	0	6	0	4
Geelong Utd	2	0	0	4	0	4
Barwon C.	1	0	1	5	2	2
Bell Park	1	0	1	3	5	2
Hamlyn R.	0	0	2	1	8	0
Nth Geel. B	0	0	2	0	6	0
Corio	0	0	2	0	11	0

THIS WEEK

National League round two matches on Saturday and Sunday:

SATURDAY

IN MELBOURNE: Mooroolbark v. Sydney Olympic at Middle Park, 3 p.m. (TV match).

IN SYDNEY: Hakoah-Easts v. Footscray J.U.S.T., Sydney Sports Ground, 3 p.m. (TV match).

SUNDAY

IN MELBOURNE: SM-Hellas v. Fitzroy Alexander, Middle Park, 3 p.m.

IN SYDNEY: St. George v. Brisbane City, Sydney Sports Ground, 3 p.m.

IN SYDNEY: Marconi v. Juventus Adelaide, Marconi Oval, 3 p.m.

IN ADELAIDE: West Adelaide Hellas v. Western Suburbs, Hindmarsh Stadium, 3 p.m.

IN BRISBANE: Brisbane Lions v. Canberra City, Perry Park, 3 p.m.

STANDINGS

	W	D	L	F	A	P
West. Suburbs	1	0	0	5	0	2
Hakoah-Easts	1	0	0	3	1	2
Hellas Adelaide	1	0	0	3	1	2
S. Melb. Hellas	1	0	0	2	0	2
Marconi	1	0	0	1	0	2
Footscray JUST	0	1	0	0	0	1
St. George	0	1	0	0	0	1
Juventus Adel.	0	1	0	0	0	1
Brisbane Lions	0	1	0	0	0	1
Brisbane City	0	0	1	0	1	0
Fitzroy Alex.	0	0	1	1	3	0
Canberra City	0	0	1	1	3	0
Sydney Olympic	0	0	1	0	2	0
Mooroolbark	0	0	1	0	5	0

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This week's votes

FITZROY ALEXANDER 1 (Taylor penalty 89th) HAKOAH-EASTS 3 (Mowbray 65th., Lutton 70th., Smith 75th.) crowd 7460.

Player ratings (by Laurie Schwab):

ALEXANDER: Blasby 6; Campbell 4, Provan 6, Tansey 5, Rakovalis 5; O'Reilly 4 (Glykokalamos 6, half time), P. Bannon 6, McMorran 5 (Gillan 71st.), Taylor 6; Cole 5, Buljevic 6.

HAKOAH: Clarke 6; Mullen 6, O'Connor 6, Barnes 6, Mowbray 8; Muniz 7 (DiMilo 81st.), Stevenson 7, Lutton 7; Watson 7, Smith 7, Silva 8.

Referee: Dixon 7.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0 SM-HELLAS 2 (Ollerton 2) at Sydney Sports Ground. Crowd: 5872.

Player ratings (by Tom Andersons).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 6, Cullerton 6, Lynch 6, Gibson 7, Luckett7, Senkalski 8, Allan G. 6, Cross 7, Allan D 6, Botham 6, Thamnides (sub Parker 61min).

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Reilly 8, Pye 7, Hatzimanouel 6, Xanthopoulos 6, Kalafatidis 6, Rogers 7, Cummings 6, Gibson 6, French 6, Ollerton 9, Mackay 7.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 0 ST. GEORGE 0, at Middle Park. Crowd: 3,500.

Player ratings (by Laurie Schwab):

J.U.S.T.: Boland 7; Milne 8, Parrott 6, Kriaris 7, Kondarios 6, (injured, sub. Agamgikis 81st. min), Kazi 7; Picioane 5, Micic 5 (Rujevic 5, half time), Ilioski 8; Palinkas 5, Ristovski 6.

ST. GEORGE: Coe 6; Harris 6, Coton 6, O'Shea 6, Williams 6; Grosse 6, Gnavi 7, Mendez 6; Jankovic 5 (Aitken 6 half time), Morgan 5, O'Connor 5.

Referee: Yelland 7.

WESTERN SUBURBS 5 (Harding 2, Lindsay, C. Eaton, Norris) MOOROOLBARK 0, at Sydney Sports Ground Crowd: 1000

Player ratings (by Tom Anderson):

WESTS: T. Eaton 7, Curran 7, Perry 7, Noble 7, Wilson 8, Lindsay 7, Fryer (sub Lowrey 78), Harding 8, Norris 8, Eaton 8, Ainslie 7 (sub Berry 61).

MOOROOLBARK: Ivanoff 6, Sinclair 6, G. Ontong 6, Pongho 6, Vaughan 6, Tront 7, Bosczuk 5 (sub Priestley 77), Ellis 5 (sub Bailey 51), Clarey 6, Irwin 5, P. Ontong 6.

ADELAIDE JUVENTUS 0 BRISBANE LIONS 0 at Olympic Sports Field. Crowd: 6320.

Ratings (by Stephen Fairfax):

JUVENTUS: Romanowicz 5, Fraser 6, Yung 6, Matic 6, Lister 7, Perin 7, Leane 6, Melta 7, Northcote 6, Nyskohus 7, Marocchi 6.

BRISBANE LIONS: McKenzie 6, Wilson 6, Potter 7, Bennett 7, Niven 6, Drinkwater 6, Fagan 5 (Lawrie 70th.), Lazslo 6, Neale 6, Harland 6 (Walter 6 half time), Hughes 6.

Referee: Campbell 8.

CANBERRA CITY 1 (Grujicic) WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 3 (Kosmina, Jones, McGaghey) at Manuka Oval, Canberra. Attendance: 2500.

Player ratings (by Paul Mills):

CANBERRA CITY: Tilsed 6; Moulis 6, Brown 6, Boskov 6, Hogg 6; Henderson 7, Black 6, (Kawaleva 6), Langone 6; Grujic 7, B. Stoddart 6, J. Stoddart 6. 6.

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS: Crook 6; Amos 7, Jones 8, Vagianos 6, Reynolds 6; Pillans 7 (Bourke 6), McGaghey 7, McCulloch 7; Kosmina 7 (Pantelis 6), Honeyman 7, McGregor 7.

BRISBANE CITY 0 MARCONI 1 ,Sharne) at Perry Park. Crowd: 5214.

Ratings (by Bruce Waddell):

CITY: Osvaldo Borzi 5, Ian Rathmell 5, Peter Nielsen 5, Peter Tokesi 6, Karl Herdle 3 (Brian Kibbey 2), Jim Hermiston 7, John Coyne 3 (Willie Conner 2), Frank Pimblett 5, Larry Gaffney 6, Ian Johnston 5. Kevin Caldwell 3.

MARCONI: Alan Maher 5, Stuart Robertson 5, Paul Degney 5, Barry Jones 4, Ivo Prskalo 6, Ray Richards 4, Peter Sharne 5, Gary Byrne 4, Jim Rooney 4, Raul Carizo 4 (Alberto Mariani 2), Stewart Selvage 3 (Ernie Campbell 3).

Referee: Des Miles 5.

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GREECE

AEK 5, Yannina 1; Atromitos 2, Pierikos 1; Atromitos 2, Agrinio 1; Olympiakos 2, Paok 0; Iraklis 2, Panionios 2; Serres 1, Panathinaikos 2; Kavala 1, Kastoria 1; Ofi 1, Aris 1.

Paok heads the tables with 42 points, followed by Olympiakos with 41 points. Panathinaikos with 40, Aek with 37, and Aris with 31.

WEST GERMANY

Fortuna Duesseldorf 2, Hertha Berlin 3; Rot-Weiss Essen 1, Borussia Dortmund 5; Tennis Borussia Berlin 0, Borussia Moenchengladbach 1; Eintracht Brunswick 1, MSV Duisburg 1; Schalke 04 0, FC Saarbruecken 1; Eintracht Frankfurt 2, VFL Bochum 2; Hamburg SV 5, Bayern Munich 0; FC Kaiserslautern 4, Werder Bremen 2; FC Cologne 4, Karlsruhe SC 1.

POLAND

21st Round — Gornik Zabrze 2, Pogon Szczecin 0; Odra Opole 2, LKS Lodz 0; Ruch Chorzow 0, Row Rybnik 0; Stal Mielec 3, GKS Tychy 0; Szombierki Bytom 2, Lech Poznan 1; Slask Wroclaw 2, Zaglebie Sosnowiec 0; Widzew Lodz 2, Legia Warszawa 0; Wisla Krakow 1, Arka Gdynia 0.

22nd round: LKS Lodz 2, Wisla Krakow 0; Sosnowiec 5, Odra Opole 0; Arka Gdynia 0, Szombierki Bytom 1; Lech Poznan 1, Ruch Chorzo 1; Legia Warsaw 0, Gornik Zabrze 1; GKS Tychy 1, Widzew Lodz 1; Pogon Szczecin 1, Slask Wroclaw 2.

League positions: LKS Lodz 31 points, Slask Wroclaw 28, Gornikzabrze 26, Pogon Szczecin 26, Widzew Lodz 25, Stal Mielec 25, Zaglebie Sosnowiec 23.

HUNGARY

Csepel 3, Szeged 2, Videoton 2, Raba Eto 1; Diosgyor 3, Zalaegerszeg 0; Dorog 1, Vasas 5; Szombathely 2, Mtk VM 0; Kaposvar 1, Honved 3; Salgotarjan 1, Ferencvaros 1; Dunaujvaros 1, Ujpest Dozsa 1; Tatabanya 2, Bekescsaba 0.

Ujpest Dozsa leads the table with 36 points, followed by Ferencvaros with 33 and Honved with 32.

SPAIN

Racing 2, Elche 1; Real Madrid 4, Espanol 1; Malaga 2, Real Sociedad 1; Salamanca 2, Celta 0; Barcelona 2, Real Zaragoza 1; Hercules 3, Burgos 0; Seville 1, Atletico Madrid 2; Las Palmas 1, Real Betis 1; Athletic Bilbao 2, Valencia 1.

Standings after 28 games: Atletico Madrid 39 points, Barcelona 35, Athletic Bilbao 32, Valencia 31, Real Madrid 30, Las Palmas 30, Salamanca 30.

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Strong South Australia tackles troubled Vics on Monday

No ruling but stars are out anyway

The States do have the right to call on National League clubs for their players, VSF secretary George Wallace said this week.

He said the National League had not decided to withold its players from representative teams, as was reported in "Soccer Action" last week.

Mooroolbark players **Joe Tront** and **Dave Rigby** were thus still in the Victorian team to meet South Australia at Olympic Park next Monday.

However, they are the only Philips League players in the Victorian squad.

Although there may not be a formal decision by the Philips League not to release its players, it does not alter the fact that J.U.S.T., Hellas and Alexander do not wish to make their players available.

"We ask certain players who are selected to attend training and it's up to them to attend," Mr Wallace said.

"If they don't want to, it's their concern. We will replace them."

Mr Wallace said that originally the Philips League clubs were going to release their players only for national team games but that this was changed to include State representative games as well.

Mr Wallace added: "The States, with the agreement of the Philips League, can ask that two weekends during the season be left free for State - organised representative matches. The Philips League will then alter its fixtures accordingly.

"In other words, the PSL will not play matches on those two weekends.

"Who we play in our State team on those weekends is our concern".

Mr Wallace also denied that the Victorian PSL clubs had formed 'new' clubs affiliated only with the ASF.

"The Victorian Federation has no jurisdiction over the PSL clubs in regard to transfers, discipline, fixtures and so on, but the four clubs from Melbourne remain members of the VSF," he said.

"There are no newly-constituted clubs from Victoria in the PSL."

Mr Wallace's claim was denied by a prominent PSL club official this week.

The official said the National League teams were affiliated directly with the ASF, while only the Second Division teams of the clubs concerned were affiliated with the VSF.

South Australia has come out of all the confusion much better than Victoria has.

South Australia has eight national league players in its squad (although that could change after training today, Wednesday) and Victoria has only Dave Rigby of Mooroolbark, and Joe Trott of Mooroolbark who didn't turn up at training last week.

The squads are:

Goalkeepers: Peter Laumets (Makedonia), **Mike O'Hara** (Hakoah), **Defenders: Keith Adams** (Ringwood), **Steve Kokoska** (Sunshine), **Dave Baker** (Hakoah), **Fausto Tarquinio** (Juventus), **Derek Barron** (George Cross). **Midfielders: John Gardiner** (Essendon), **Dave Rigby** (Mooroolbark), **Joe Tront** (Mooroolbark). **Forwards: Tommy Cumming** (Sunshine), **Steve Beech** (Makedonia), **Carl Gilder** (Slavia), **Bruce Roberts** (Hakoah).

SOUTH AUSTRALIA: Goalkeepers: Roger Romanowicz (Juventus), **Yakka Banovic** (Croatia),.

Defenders: Frank Lister (Juventus), **Barry Reynolds** (Hellas), **Bugsey Nyskohus** (Lions), **Zoran Matic** (Beograd).

Midfielders: Neil McGachey (Hellas), **Ian McGregor** (Hellas), **Peter Marwe** (Croatia), **Vic Bozanic** (Polonia), **Gary Dooley** (Polonia), **Alan Sproates** (Elizabeth).

Forwards: John Nyskohus (Juventus), **Graham Honeyman** (Hellas), **John Kosmina** (Hellas), **Charlie Harrow** (Croatia).

South Australia's strongest forward line would be: **John Nyskohus** and **Kosmina,** both Australian internationals, plus **Honeyman,** who played for Hakoah in Sydney last year.

The two strongest line-ups for the game at Olympic Park at 2.30 p.m. on Monday, April 11, are:

VICTORIA: (4-3-3): Laumets, Adams, Baker, Kokoska, Tarquinio, Tront, Gardiner, Rigby, Cumming, Gilder, Beech.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA (4-3-3): Romanowicz, Reynolds, Lister, Matic, B. Nyskohus, McGachey, Marwe, McGregor, Kosmina, Honeyman, J Nyskohus.

The line-ups last time they met, in Adelaide last April, when South Australia won 2-1, were:

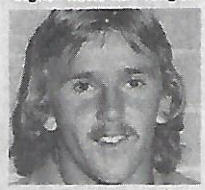
SOUTH AUSTRALIA: Romanowicz, Reynolds, McGachey, Matic, B Nyskohus, Perin, Besir, Kolecki, Kosmina, Zervas, J Nyskohus.

VICTORIA: Reilly, Pye, Xanthopoulos, Kondarios, Tansey, Bourne, Kriaris, Mackay, Ristovski, French Buljevic.

South Australia's goals were scored by Kolecki and substitute Leane (penalty).

French scored for Vic-

Steve Kokosta (vic.)



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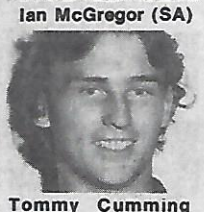

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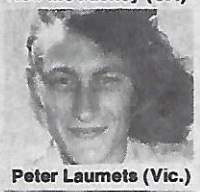

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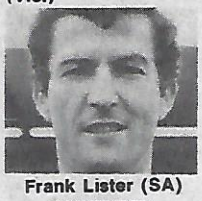

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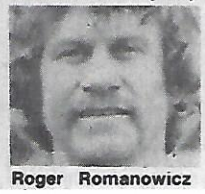

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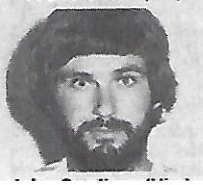

Watch the fellow on the right. It's Mooroolbark's Joe Tront who will cause opposing teams big trouble, the way he's causing trouble to Jim Alexiou of Hellas in this picture by SAM BELFONTE. Whether or not he plays for Victoria against South Australia remains to be seen.

STEPHEN KALUS

Financial crisis hits clubs

Financial problems after the Ampol Cup series and on the eve of the Rothmans championship sent a shiver of fear throughout the Victorian State League.

The management of the "new look" State League is fully aware of the cash crisis as most of the clubs lack the influence to whip up substantial sponsorship.

Even the lucky ones with a sponsor in hand have to rely on the pockets of their officials.

There are other problems like complete lack of publicity in the Daily Press — a problem faced in Melbourne for years.

Last week a worried chairman of the State League Mr Vito Cilauro, assisted by VSF secretary **George Wallace** visited the chief editor of the "Sun".

Let's hope that the friendly talk will result in a better coverage, which soccer certainly deserves.

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It was like winning a world championship last Thursday morning in Melbourne after the good news that Australia had drawn with New Zealand and qualified for the next World cup round.

One of the first men to accept congratulations was the popular president of the VSF **Theo Marmaras.**

Talking about the World Cup finals in 1978 in Argentina; application forms to accredited soccer writers wishing to attend the finals are already being sent out.

Dr. Rodolfo Jorge De Lorenzo, chief of the publicity and public relations office of the organising committee, is advising journalists to register as soon as possible to enable them to get the best possible accommodation and working

Footscray-J.U.S.T was hoping that its three star players from Yugoslavia would arrive in time to play in the opening game of Philips League against St. George, but unfortunately for some unknown reason, the players have still not arrived.

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A get-together conference between the VSF officials and the executives of the Australian Soccer Press Association will take place at Soccer House on April 12.

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Polonia-Maribyrnong's annual ball will be held on April 16 at Earl's Court ballroom.

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Can we recapture glory of '74?

By LAURIE SCHWAB

The Socceroos have qualified for the final Asian tournament by winning the Oceania Group, so it is time to analyse seriously whether they can qualify for the 1978 World Cup Finals.

Will Australia once again be part of the world's greatest sports event outside the Olympic Games?

Will Australia once again stand next to the giants as it did in West Germany in 1974?

Will the Socceroos once again be privileged to play against super teams like West Germany?

Who will forget that memorable match in Hamburg?

Goals by **Overath, Cullmann** and **Mueller** gave West Germany a 3-0 victory and enabled it to advance to the next round and, ultimately, to the final which it won against Holland.

Just being there was an unforgettable experience for the Australians. Will they be there again in 1978?

Let's hope so. It won't be easy. In fact it will be bloody difficult, but let's hope so.

Australia's next task is to tackle the winners of four Asian groups some time before the end of this year — possibly in June-July.

Hong Kong has already qualified as one of the winners and the others are almost certain to be **Iran, South Korea** and **Kuwait.**

On past results against these nations, we must have a fair chance of making it.

In the last World Cup qualifying series in 1973, Australia thrashed Iran 3-0 in Sydney with goals by **Alston, Abonyi** and **Wilson.**

However, the difficult climate and hostile crowd as well as the marked improvement of the Iran team, caused Australia to lose 0-2 in Teheran.

That left us the task of beating South Korea to qualify for the finals.

After a poor scoreless draw in Sydney, Australia was lucky to draw again in Seoul 2-2 and finally asserted its superiority in the tie-breaker in Hong Kong, which it won 1-0 with **Jimmy Mackay's** famous goal.

In "friendlies" against South Korea, over the years, Australia drew 1-1 and won 2-0 in Seoul in 1972.

In the 1969 World Cup qualifying series, we beat South Korea 2-1 and 2-0 in Seoul.

As for Iran, we met that country only once outside the World Cup, winning 2-1 with goals by **Richards** and **Alston** in Teheran in 1970.

However, Iran recently held Argentina to a 1-1 draw before losing on penalties in a tournament in Spain to mark the 75th. anniversary of Real Madrid.

Real Madrid eventually won the tournament by beating Argentina 1-0.

Hong Kong had a shock 1-0 victory over Australia in Canberra last year, but the team fielded by Australia was an experimental one which had never before been together and has never been together since.

Australia won the return match in Gosford 2-0 and beat Hong Kong 2-0 in Hong Kong a few months later.

Kuwait remains a mystery. Once coached by **Lou Brocic,** ex-boss of SM-Hellas, Kuwait has never played against Australia.

Much will depend on what shape the qualifying series takes.

If the five countries play each other home and away, Australia will have a good chance of qualifying.

On the other hand, we could be in trouble if the five are thrown into a qualifying tournament played on the home soil of one of the qualifiers.

This happened in 1973, when Australia staged the series between Iraq, New Zealand, Australia and Indonesia in Sydney and Melbourne.

Australia had a definite advantage in playing at home.

If Iran gets the qualifying series this time, it may prove too strong for us.

West German captain Frenz Beckenbauer is angry after the 1974 World Cup game against Australia, because the crowd had often booed him after a dispute over a corner. Here he refuses to exchange shirts with Australia's captain Peter Wilson (left) while he gives Adrian Alston (right) a dirty look.

Manfred Schaefer (left) cramped the style of Gerd Mueller (middle) to such an extent that the Hamburg crowd chanted: "Uwe, Uwe," expressing the opinion that Uwe Seeler should have been in the team, rather than Mueller.

Why no TV coverage?

Sir,

May I, through your paper, state my utmost disgust that no TV station bothered to show the Australia v New Zealand World Cup matches.

Looking through the TV section I noticed no direct coverage and what is worse, no replay at a later date.

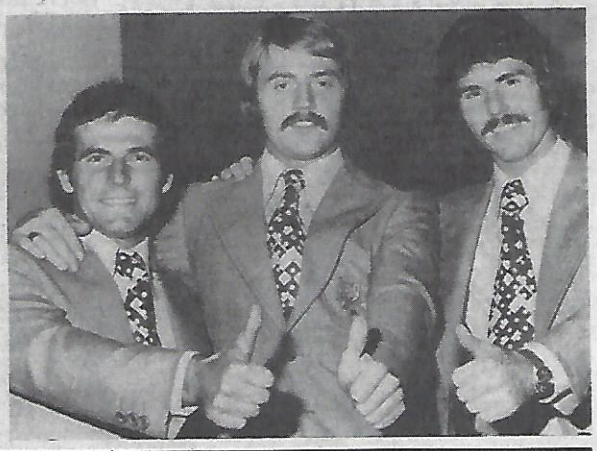
That the national team of the world's No. 1 sport is ignored to this extent is a rebuff to all the soccer public and I am totally disgusted.

Two questions: A) Did the Australian Soccer Federation try to sell the Sydney game to the TV stations and B) Did any TV stations approach the Australian Soccer Federation about showing the match?

Let's get "stuck into" the media over this event and let them know how the soccer public feels about this rebuke.

Isn't it about time we had a full time public relations officer with a bit of drive and guts to promote the game here in Victoria to the television media?

T.J. Mitchell,
St. Kilda, Vic.



● This thumbs-up enthusiasm of 1974 may get Australia to Argentina next year if it is repeated in the coming matches against Hong Kong and probably Iran, South Korea and Kuwait. Only Peter Ollerton (centre) is still in the Australian team, and he's got the awesome responsibility of having to score winning goals. At left is Col Curran and at right Ernie Campbell. Whereas they were Socceroos team mates in 1974, they are now opponents in the National League. Curran plays for Western Suburbs, Ollerton for SM-Hellas and Campbell for Marconi.

Only 3 off a hundred

Australian captain Peter Wilson has only three games to go to total 100 appearances for Australia in all games, including "friendlies."

The list of appearances of all players since 1970 (excluding U.23 representative matches) is:

97. Wilson
70. Rooney
59. Utjesenovic
55. Abonyi, Richards
53. Alston
50. Mackay
46. Schaefer
40. Ollerton
38. Bennett
36. Williams
34. Baartz
33. Warren, Reilly, Harris, Harding.
32. Clarke, Byrne, Muniz
29. Buljevic
28. Curran
23. Campbell
22. Kosmina
20. J. Nyskohus
19. Tolson
18. Barnes
17. Vojtek, Hogg
16. Blues
14. Denton, Tansey
13. Maher
11. Roche, Corry
10. Fraser
9. Yaager
7. Bell, Marocchi, Doyle, Watkiss
6. Micevski, Romanowicz
5. Irvine, B. Nyskohus
4. Jankovic, Grosse Ainslie, Perin, Milisavljevic, Butler
3. Stone, Ilott, Cummings, Manuel, Armstrong, Micic
2. Keddie, Keith Rogers, McDonald, Russell, Calusso, O'Connor.
1. Norman, Turner, R Pocock, McGrotty Kolecki, Gnavi, Mullen Davies, Ristovski.

Leads by one cap

Peter Wilson has drawn one game ahead of Attila Abonyi on the list of international caps. Wilson played in the recent match against Fiji whereas Abonyi didn't.

55. Wilson
54. Abonyi
49 Schaefer
48 Baartz
44 Warren
38 Rooney
36 Alston
35 Utjesenovic
32 Richards
31 Vojtek, Mackay
28 Ackerley
27 Corry
23 Watkiss, Ollerton
22 Buljevic
20 Keith
20 Harris, Bennett, M Coll
19 Clarke, McColl
18 Byrne,
17 Muniz
16 Tolson, Harding.
15 Reilly, Curra Westwater
14 Campbell, Marnoc Williams
13 Hogg
12 Barnes, Kosmina
9 Blue, van Alphe Shepherd, J. Nyskohus
8 Fraser, Rorke
7 Micic, Walsh, Hughe
6 Blitz, Lloy Romanowicz, Schelnflu Rutherford, Tanse Marocchi.
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Australian goalkeeper Jack Reilly, now with South Melbourne Hellas, is beaten by this glorious shot by Wolfgang Overath, who gave West Germany its first goal.

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0-1 loss puts Malta on the bottom

VALETTA: East Germany beat Malta 1-0 in a World Cup European Group Three qualifying match here.

The half-time score was 0-0.

The latest European Group Three standings:

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Turkey	1	1	0	5	1	3
East Germany	1	1	0	2	1	3
Austria	1	0	0	1	0	2
Malta	0	0	3	0	6	0

Korea home with penalty

SEOUL: South Korea beat Japan 1-0 (scoreless at half-time) here to emerge winner of World Cup Asian Group Two.

The winning goal came from a penalty kick by **Cha Bum-Keun** six minutes from the end.

Final standings of Asian Group Two after the Korean-Japan match:

South Korea	2	2	0	6
Israel	2	1	1	5
Japan	0	1	3	1

WILSON STAR OF AUCKLAND GAME

By TOM ANDERSON

"Heroes every one of them" — is the only way to describe the Australian World Cup Soccer team after its 1-1 draw at Newmarket Park, Auckland last Wednesday!

This draw won the Oceania series for the Socceroos and takes them into the final Asian elimination round of the 1978 World Cup.

And it is highly unlikely that the Aussies will have to play in a harder or tougher or more tense struggle than this one on the narrow, bumpy Auckland ground.

The Kiwis played like men possessed in front of their own supporters.

They threw caution to the wind and came forward in waves like a marauding bunch of renegades!

But the Aussies stood firm and the discipline and self control of the team was magnificent.

The hero of the hour was skipper Peter Wilson — a giant among giants.

This was probably Wilson's finest hour and he led by example and rallied his troops reminiscent of Montgomery at the battle of El Alamein!

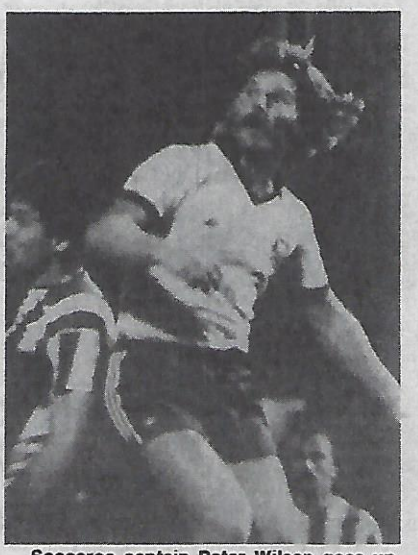
On this small pitch the Socceroos were never allowed — because of the conditions that prevailed and the New Zealand dervishes — to play an open game as they had in the second half at the Sydney Cricket Ground the previous Sunday.

However they got off to a great start when midfielder Gary Byrne put big Peter Ollerton through to open the scoring in the 18th minute.

It was a fine goal and showed the big fellow at his scoring best.

However, the Kiwis fought back and capitalised on a mistake in the Australian defence in th 34th minute to equalise through their busy little striker **Keith Nelson.**

Then the battle was on and there were no holds barred. No quarter asked for and no quarter given.



Socceroo captain Peter Wilson goes up for a header.

And although New Zealand had most of the territorial advantage in the second half they did not — or to be more precise — were not allowed to create any scoring chances.

Watching the Socceroos perform during this period, when under intense pressure, made one proud to be an Australian.

For here was a team dedicated to its task and never did it look like surrendering.

After this performance by the Socceroos, Argentina is not just a dream. It is now a stark reality!

NEW ZEALAND 1 (Nelson 34th)
AUSTRALIA 1 (Ollerton 18th)

Player ratings out of 10:

AUSTRALIA: Clarke 8, Harris 8, Wilson 10, Bennett 9, Williams 8, Harding 8, Rooney 8, Byrne 8, Kosmina 8, Ollerton 9, Abonyi 8.

NEW ZEALAND: Curtin 8, Sibley 7, Houghton 7, Elrick 7, Armstrong 8, Turner 8, Sumner 8, Taylor 7, Dodds 9, Nelson 8, Weymouth 8.

$25,000 from raffle

Canberra City hopes to raise $25,000 from an authorised Art Union raffle whose first prize is a trip for two plus $1000 spending money to see the FA Cup final in England.

Canberra needs the money, as it is on a budget of only $30,000 to do all its recruiting.

So far it has spent $8000 on air fares alone.

A lot of top-flight players including Attila Abonyi, Adrian Alston, Col Bennett, John Russell, Terry Butler and Steve Hoszowski were interested in joining Canberra but the club dropped out of the race because it simply didn't have enough money.

It's main source of funds apart from the raffle is $60,000 sponsorship by Brian Pollock Ford.

Hong Kong's World Cup team — with two messages in Chinese — after winning its Asian qualifying group.

Hong Kong our next opponent?

By LES SHORROCK

The winner of Asian sub-group 1 was Hong Kong and since it is our nearest rival geographically, there is every possibility that it might be Australia's next World Cup opponent.

Australia beat Hong Kong 1-0 when they last met last year, but Hong Kong F.A. officials are confident they can reverse that result next time the two countries meet.

Looking ahead, Hong Kong has already applied to FIFA for permission to play two home matches in the World Cup in June and July (one of these could be Australia), one in Seoul or Tel Aviv (depending on whether South Korea or Israel qualifies) in mid-July other away games in Iran or Kuwait at the end of October and in Australia in late November.

Obviously, Hong Kong expects the other three qualifiers to be Iran, Kuwait and probably South Korea. South Korea needs only a draw with Japan to eliminate Israel, which most judges would deem Australia's toughest opponent.

So what will Australia's chance against Hong Kong be?

Hong Kong's team consists entirely of Chinese born in the Colony, but Melbourne readers will be interested to know that coach **Frans van Balkom** once played for Ringwood Wilhelmina.

The team is experienced, having played a lot of games together, and none has had more experience than goalkeeper **Chu Kwok-Kuen**, or **GOLO** to his friends. He is 27 and has accumulated more than 30 caps in the past six years.

Golo is the goalkeeper of Urban Services, the team captained by **Dave Anderson** who will join South Melbourne Hellas in May.

Dave describes Golo as the best goalkeeper in Asia, and that view is shared by U.S.D.'s coach **Brian Harvey**, the ex-Hakoah (Melbourne) and South Coast (NSW) player.

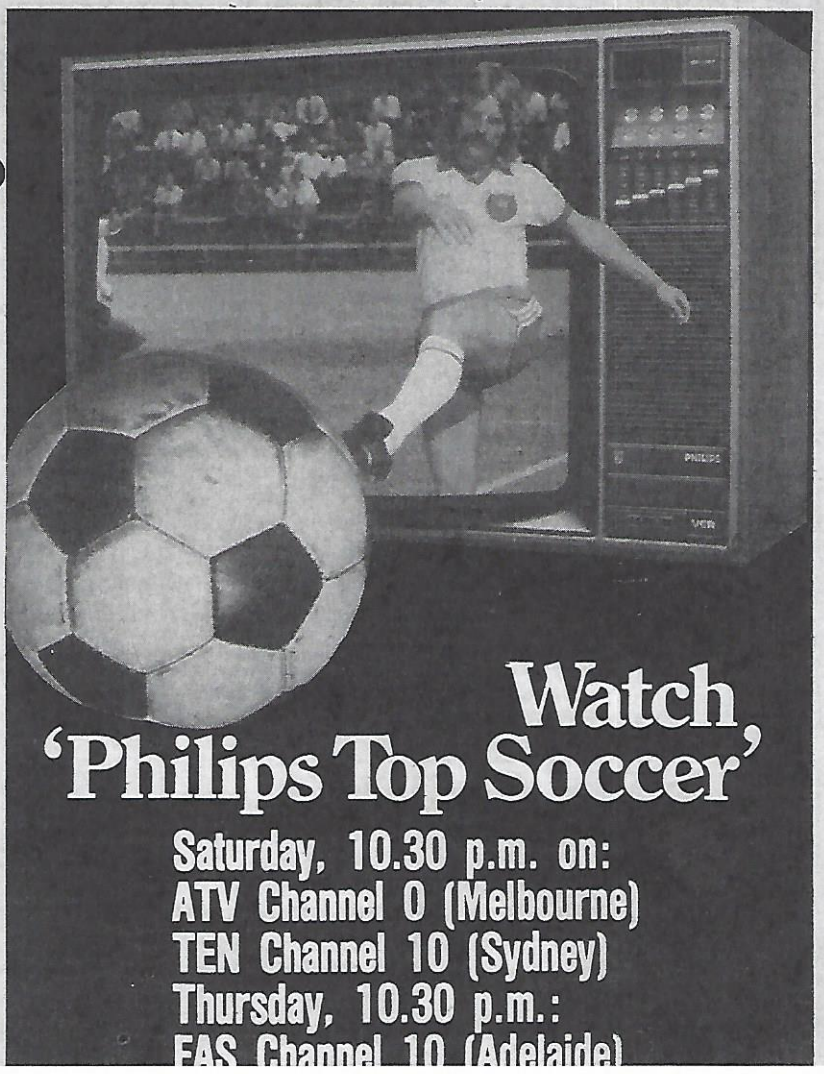
Last week the Hong Kong F.A. passed a resolution reducing to seven the number of foreign professionals registered and to four the number playing for each club in 1978.

In '79 the figures will be six and three.

Urban Services would probably be hardest hit of all the Hong Kong clubs by the reduction, as they have, besides Anderson, **Gus Eadie** (St. Mirren, Bury and Balgownie), **John McGunnigle** (South Coast, Balgownie and Windmills), **Dave Allison** (Malcolm's son, Safeway), and **Terry Butler** (Apia) as well as **Brian Harvey** currently in the first team and next season will be limited to four playing pros.

But other sides, like Kwang Wah, Caroline Hill and Seiko will be similarly affected and that, added to the rule that a relegated club must release its professionals, seems to point to a mass exodus in

Hong Kong's goalkeeper Chu Kwok-Kuen, capped 30 times, with his club coach



Men of Brisbane City – pushovers or giant-killers?

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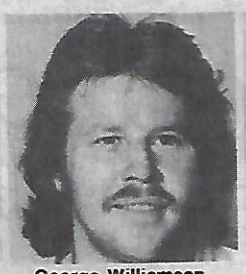
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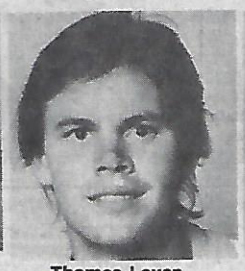
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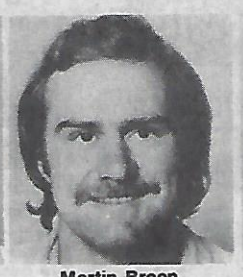
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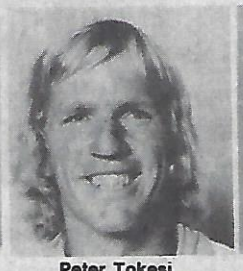
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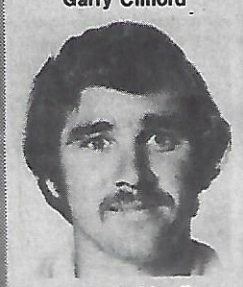
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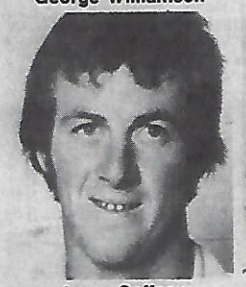
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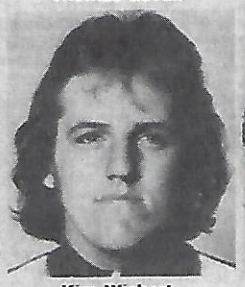
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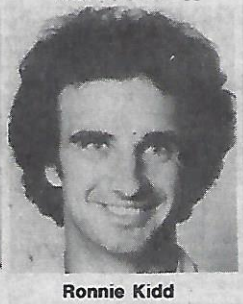
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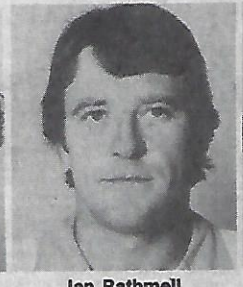
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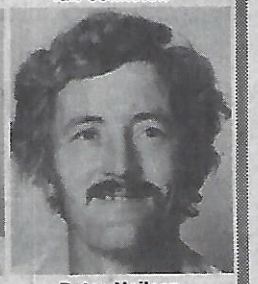
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ADELAIDE'S PRIDE A BIG PROBLEM

Attila Abonyi

Jimmy Rooney

Rudolfo Gnavi

Branko Boljevic

Having discussed all the other Philips League clubs, we now place under the microscope Juventus Adelaide, Hellas Adelaide and Brisbane City (Azzurri).

RALE RASIC

The other Brisbane club, Lions (Hollandia) was analysed earlier.

Adelaide teams have always had the reputation of being difficult to play against at club as well as State level.

The South Australians were always being described as the underdogs, so they set about proving that they were as strong as anyone else. It's always been a matter of pride with them.

This pride in itself will be a formidable obstacle to clubs from NSW and Victoria.

Both Juventus (City) and Hellas (Wests) have come into the national league well equipped.

Hellas has use of a million-dollar social club complex in the heart of Adelaide and Juventus is planning to build a $350,000 complex at its ground.

This, plus the recruiting done by both clubs, indicates Adelaide will do as well if not better than Sydney in the long run.

Juventus and Adelaide have always prided themselves in having few, if any financial problems because of their strong spectator support.

I just hope they don't spend too much too soon. As I see it, clubs need good management, good facilities, a good technical staff — and then a good team, in that order.

Of course there's no denying that both Hellas and Juventus have good management, and therefore they should become the pride of Adelaide.

The experience of coach **Edmund Kreft** and the excellence of the committee, which is known to me, should assure Juventus of the success it deserves.

Hellas has achieved a high degree of stability under go-ahead president **Arthur Zaikos.** Since he took over the leadership, Hellas has been transformed into a very businesslike outfit.

The investments these clubs have made in players so far have been wise ones.

Juventus has gone for tremendous young players **Gary Marocchi** from Perth and **John Nyskohus** from Lion Adelaide — both internationals.

Hellas has gone perhaps a little further in signing **Graham Honeyman,** an excellent buy from Hakoah, **John Kosmina,** the darling of South Australian soccer, **Mal Haynes** and **Gordon McCulloch.**

These recruits have added great strength and they reflect the great enthusiasm of both committees.

As for Brisbane City, everyone expects it to be the underdog of the competition.

The club has invested in a number of unknown players so far but we must remember that it has been achieving success in the Queensland league for many years, so there's no reason why it shouldn't go on with it.

The Philips League will present every club with new problems.

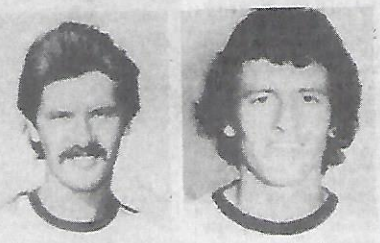
There will be varying climatic conditions, the problems of travelling, the disadvantage of playing away from home in front of partisan audiences, and the difficulty coaches will have in devising tactics against largely unknown opponents. These problems will prove great levellers, and they will work Brisbane City's way when the team plays at home.

City has long been a progressive, well-organised club, as is evidenced by its success in gaining $150,000 sponsorship from Living Insurance.

It was the first big sponsorship deal finalised by a Philips League club.

Summing up, I hope the new league provides a bright new horizon for Australian soccer and I wish the 14 clubs and 14 coaches all the best.

They will all work hard for success and they will all deserve whatever success they have.


Hellas Adelaide recruits — Graham Honeyman (left) and Gary Marocchi.

Hughes learns his lesson

New Zealand coach Wally Hughes declared during his visit to Australia before the World Cup games that he had nothing to learn from the Socceroos.

He was so confident he had summed us up that he didn't even bother staying for Australia's second match against Red Star.

He must be swallowing his words now — and I'm writing this **BEFORE** the return match in Auckland.

He saw our games against Israel and two against Red Star, yet it appears he learned absolutely nothing from them.

For example, in New Zealand's first World Cup match against Australia, the most ridiculous thing he could have done was leaving both flanks open while blocking big men **Wilson** and **Bennett** instead.

This contributed to the Kiwis' downfall after they had led 1-0 for the whole first half.

He must surely have known that Israel and Red Star did not worry about marking Wilson and Bennett but worked hard on the flanks and achieved their success on the flanks.

Harry Williams played his best international match against the Kiwis and while he should be congratulated on his fantastic showing, it was Hughes' neglect of the flanks that enabled Williams to dominate to the extent that he did.

Will the stars keep shining ?

Atilla Abonyi, Brank Buljevic, Rudi Gnavi and Jimmy Rooney were greats with St. George, J.U.S.T., Pan Hellenic and APIA respectively but they're all with different clubs now.

With the exception of Rooney, whose switch to Marconi was the result of APIA's refusal to join the National League, these transfers were puzzling indeed.

After all, Abonyi, Buljevic and Gnavi had been Cruyffs or Beckenbauers with the teams they served for so long.

If **Micic** is part of J.U.S.T.'s history, so is **Buljevic.**

Abonyi was St. George's biggest name apart from **Johnny Warren.**

Gnavi was the most popular Pan Hellenic player since **Loukounidis.**

Will these players mean as much to their new clubs as to their old ones? Will their new teams change their patterns of play to accommodate these stars, or will they have to become just one of the boys?

Buljevic had his own style at J.U.S.T. Will he be allowed to retain that style at Alexander?

Gnavi was a maestro playing his own game at Pan Hellenic. Will he be allowed to play the same role at St. George?

Rooney was the dominant, all-action midfield man at APIA. Will his new midfield partners **Ray Richards** and **Gary Byrne** allow him to be as prominent at Marconi?

No footballers here have forced their personalities on a team as much as Gnavi, Abonyi and Buljevic did.

They set the style and the tempo and I hope they can do the same with their new clubs because it would be of benefit to the code. It would keep them on top.

I'm sorry I won't see Abonyi in the national league. For years, he has been the Spiegler of Australian soccer.

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Soccer Machine Hakoah for the title?

Alexander will do better against Hellas

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Alexander 1 Hakoah 3.

Terry Smith, scoring Hakoah's third goal, gives Alexander's Peter Blasby no chance.

Fitzroy Alexander need not feel too despondent as it prepares for its big clash with South Melbourne Hellas at Middle Park on Sunday.

No one could have expected Alexander to beat Hakoah last Sunday and if the 3-1 score looked bad for Alexander, it was mainly because Hakoah played so well.

South Melbourne Hellas is certainly not as good as Hakoah, despite its 2-0 victory over Sydney Olympic in Sydney.

In other words, the 10,000 people who will turn up at Middle Park for the battle of the Greeks should see a close, exciting match.

Let's not forget that Alexander beat Hellas 3-0 in their practice match a few weeks ago.

Losing to Hakoah was no disgrace because in the second half, Hakoah played the best club soccer I've seen in Australia.

Even at this early stage, Hakoah must be regarded as possibly the leading contender for the first national league championship.

They don't call Hakoah the "Soccer Machine" for nothing!

Alexander managed to hold Hakoah scoreless until half time but then **Agenor Muniz, John Stevenson** and **Bertie Lutton** took a firm grip on the midfield and Alexander's defence cracked.

Left winger Hilton Silva was prominent in both halves, dominating the left flank together with full back and captain Henry Mowbray. These two were the best players of the game.

Right winger **Joe Watson** ran himself into trouble a few times in the first half but made amends with some fine play after the interval.

Kevin Mullen played tight on Alexander's **Branko Buljevic** who was allowed to do little with the few passes that come to him. **Ken Taylor** was the only other player who looked like he could get something done in attack.

He had two of Alexander's few shots at goal — one of them from a ball by Buljevic.

Unlike Alexander, Hakoah is so well-endowed with forwards that it had one of them, international **Murray Barnes**, playing at centre back in the absence of **Alex Robertson** who's recovering from a broken jaw.

Hakoah coach **Gerry Chaldi** was pleased enough with his team's performance but said it had played classes better in beating Western Suburbs 2-1 in the final of the Rosso Antico Cup in Sydney.

Of Alexander, Chaldi said: "They have stamina and team spirit but they need a few skilful players in the midfield and the defence is shaky.

"Up front they have a very good footballer in **Branko Buljevic** but he can't do everything by himself and a player of his skill and experience must try harder to lift his team mates.

"Buljevic always posed a threat to us because he always looked capable of doing something, but I thought **Kevin Mullen** did a good job on him."

Alexander coach **Jim Adam** put the emphasis on defence, as had been expected, with **Pat Bannon** and **Jim O'Reilly** hanging well back.

O'Reilly, still troubled by injury, was taken off at half time and replaced with **Mike Glykokalamos** who added a bit of flair to Alexander's game.

Bannon worked extremely well in the first half but was not as prominent later.

New right back **Jim Campbell**, who had replaced regular **Alex Nelson**, always gave **Hilton-Siva** far too much room and as a result Silva's confidence grew and grew until, in the end, he was taking on and beating all comers.

Hakoah had its first good shot in the 27th. minute when Muniz blasted back an ill-directed clearance by **Jim Tansey**, but goalkeeper **Peter Blasby** made a juggled save.

Then **Bertie Lutton** came through in spectacular fashion, leaving defenders strewn in his path. He also beat Blasby but his shot was just wide from about eight metres.

In the 31st. minute **Jim McMorran** gave a good pass to Taylor who shot well but goalkeeper **Todd Clarke** flew high to save.

In the 34th. minute Mowbray who had the freedom of the pitch because he had no direct Alexander opponent, hit the crossbar with a header after a corner.

Alexander had its last flurry before half time when Buljevic and Bannon combined in a good move which ended when Clarke stopped Buljevic's shot.

Just after the interval Buljevic ran onto a long kick-in from Blasby but it was a little too far in front of him, forcing him to shoot on the run without steadying, and the ball hit the side netting.

Then Hakoah took over. The machine changed into top gear.

Stevenson and **Terry Smith** did some nice lead-up work before Mowbray hit the ball into the net from an angle with the help of a deflection off an Alexander defender.

The goal followed an Alexander attack which had left its defence exposed.

Mowbray could have goaled again when he took the ball from Glykokalamos, but he missed narrowly with a good shot.

In the 70th. minute the ball went back and forth across the Alexander penalty area until Silva spotted Lutton unmarked in the middle and quickly gave him the ball. Of course, Lutton made no mistake and the score was 2-0.

Desperate for a goal, Alexander coach **Jim Adam** sent striker **George Gillan** in for McMorran with 19 minutes left to play.

But two minutes later Hakoah swarmed all over the Alexander defence once aga n and Watson picked up a punched clearance by Blasby and rammed the ball against the crossbar.

In the 75th. minute Mowbray went on another of his overlapping runs down the left.

Muniz crossed his path, found open space on the left, called for the ball and got it. He then relayed it back through Mowbray to Terry Smith standing in the middle and Smith simply stuck his toe to the ball and guided it into the net.

Alexander got its goal from a penalty, awarded by referee **Jim Dixon** for handball by **Steve O'Connor.**

Ken Taylor took the kick and scored with seconds left to play.

Mike Glykokalamos — came on at half time for Jim O'Reilly.

The inspiration of Hakoah — captain Henry Mowbray who scored the first goal.

Bertie Lutton (right), scorer of Hakoah's second goal, is about to cut inside Jim Tansey.

Hakoah full back Kevin Mullen leads Branko Buljevic in their race for the ball.

Wests bite Barkers

By TOM ANDERSON

Wests 5 M'bark 0

Mooroolbark's initiation into the big time is one it will want to forget very quickly!

For it received the father and mother of all hidings when it visited the Sydney Sports Ground last Sunday and lost 0-5 to Western Suburbs.

One could not help feeling sorry for the Victorians they didn't seem to know what hit them when this Wests machine got into action.

They also found the pitch at the Sports Ground a little big for them, especially as Wests used the open spaces to great advantage.

The Mooroolbark team made mistake after mistake in defence and in fact handed the game to Wests on a plate.

Believe me, it is hard enough to try to beat Wests on even terms without doing this!

Wests played some great football and will be a force to be reckoned with this season.

They do not have a which "plays fluent and open football.

Also, when needed, their defence can be rugged and uncompromising and is well marshalled by Socceroo captain **Peter Wilson.**

In midfield they have a wealth of experience in players such as **Dave Harding, Kenny Lindsay** and **Alan Ainslie** who know what the professional game of football is all about.

Up front, **Clive Eaton** and **Graham Norris** are a lively pair of strikers who are quickly building up a fine understanding.

Some of the "one-twos" they play would warm the cockles of any coach's heart!

The only man to really catch the eye in the Mooroolbark team was midfielder Joe Tront.

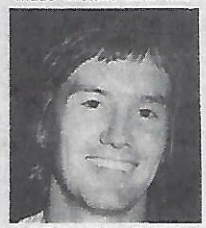
This fellow ran his heart out and has the skill and the ability to play in this class of football.

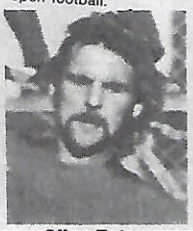
Wests got off to a flying start when **Kenny Lindsay** opened the scoring in the 8th. minute.

And this is how the score stood when the players trooped into the dressing rooms at half time.

However, in the second half, Wests ran riot and **Bob Fryer** (46 min.), **Dave Harding** (61 min), **Clive Eaton** (68 min.) and **Graham Norris** (73 min.) all added goals.

The attendance was 1000.





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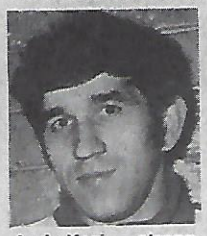
Ilioski sparkles, Milne praised

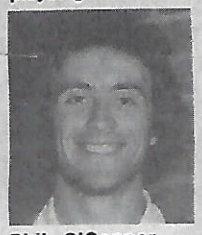
By LAURIE SCHWAB

J.U.S.T.'s youngest player, Zoran Ilioski, must have read Rale Rasic's description of him in last week's "Soccer Action".



Andy Kazi — strong on the left

Rudi Gnavi — played good football



Phil O'Connor — shackled by defenders

Rasic had called Ilioski the best young player of the past 10 years — and 'Zokkie' wasn't about to make himself look silly by playing an ordinary game.

If there had been any doubt about Ilioski's ability to stand tall against opponents of real class, that doubt was dispelled by his verve against St George at Middle Park on Saturday.

Ilioski defended grandly in his midfield role and occasionally ventured forward — once to present **Joe Picioane** with a perfect scoring opportunity, but Picioane blasted over the bar.

Ilioski wasn't the only J.U.S.T. star.

St. George coach **Manfred Schaefer** was full of praise for **Jim Milne**. "No-one can get past him," Schaefer said after the game.

Milne and **Alan Parrott** playing next to him, cut wonder boy **Phil O'Connor** out of the game on the right and **Andy Kazi** beat him on the left.

Big **Neville Morgan**, who is relied upon to win the ball in the air, was soundly beaten by **Jim Kondarios** and sweeper **Jim Kriaris** who was the undisputed boss of the J.U.S.T. defence.

St. George's star was **Rudolfo Gnavi** who had the fans muttering in awe about his great football ability. Full backs **George Harris** and **Harry Williams**, back from national team duty, were also good.

J.U.S.T. coach **Cedo Cirkovic**, asked for a comment after the scoreless draw, said only. "How much did our team cost and how much did St. George's cost?"

He meant that J.U.S.T. has done very well by spending only about $7000 in transfer fees compared with double as much by St. George.

Manfred Schaefer said: "O'Connor and Gnavi had two great chances in the first half. Against a team like Footscray you have to take those chances and if you do, the defence will open up.

"Footscray's defence is excellent and if the team gets a few forwards, it will be very dangerous.

"I was very happy with **Harris** and **Williams** in their first game back after playing with the national team and I was also happy with my goalkeeper **Martin Coe**. He had little to do, which meant he had to concentrate very hard."

The first scoring chance of the game was the one Ilioski set up for Picioane in the 18th minute.

Moments later J.U.S.T. goalkeeper **Denis Boland** tapped a long shot by **Brendan Grosse** over the bar.

Morgan put a low square ball across the penalty area. It eluded Boland but Gnavi, running onto it, missed it as well.

Boland, back in his best form, made a brilliant save from Morgan's header in the 39th minute and just before half time, Jim Milne was shown the yellow card for a foul on **Mark Jankovic.**

At half time Circkovic replaced **Frank Micic** with **Mirko Rujevic** and Schaefer replaced Jankovic with **Fred Aitken.**

A shot by Morgan may have scored 10 minutes after the interval had it not been for a deflection and for the rest of the match, Saints did most of the attacking while J.U.S.T.'s defence stood firm.

On their form in this match, Saints should have little trouble beating Brisbane City in Sydney on Sunday.

J.U.S.T., on the other hand, may find it difficult against mighty Hakoah in the TV match in Sydney on Saturday.

Cirkovic watched Hakoah tear Alexander apart last Sunday and will no doubt have formulated a plan to stop the Sydney giant.

However, without a forward line that can take pressure off the defence for longer periods, J.U.S.T. may crack under the strain.

Perhaps J.U.S.T.'s long-awaited Yugoslav recruits may arrive in time for the game. They were expected last Friday but apparently the child of one of them got the measles and they postponed their departure.

Zoran Ilioski takes the ball out of defence, leaving Neville Morgan (left) far behind.

J.U.S.T.0 St. G. 0

J.U.S.T. right back Jim Milne (left) is about to take the ball from the feet of St. George star Harry Williams.

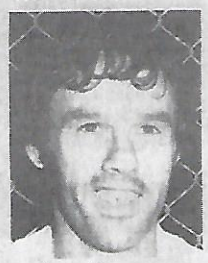
City so near but Sharne spoils it

By BRUCE WADDELL

A fleeting lapse in defence seven minutes from full-time cost Brisbane City a great first up point against Marconi in their match at Perry Park in Brisbane.

City had more than held its own against **Rale Rasic's** powerful Sydney unit before **Ray Richards** combined with replacement **Alberto Mariani** split City's five-man backline wide open.

Flying left winger **Peter Sharne** broke down the middle, shook off the desperate, lunging tackle of City skipper **Ian Rathmell**, and slipped his shot home. For City 'keeper **Osvaldo Borzi**, his dejection would have been unbearable. It was one of the rare occasions during the match he had been in trouble.



Jim Rooney — had lots of competition in midfield.

Brisb. C. 0. Marconi 1

Surprisingly, Marconi's international duo Jim Rooney and Gary Byrne did not completely dominate the midfield.

Any first half domination in that area was provided by the former Aston Villa midfielder **Frank Pimblett** and ex-Wollongong City player **Larry Gaffney** for City.

Borzi's only moment of concern came midway through the first half when he and Richards dived together in search of a Rooney cross but the ball was safely hooked clear.

Socceroo **Alan Maher** was much more active, feeling for the first time the force of a blistering drive from former Scottish international **Jim Hermiston** in the sixth minute.

On Saturday morning, the ex-Aberdeen skipper, who has been brought to Australia to play for second division club Grange-Thistle, was seconded by City for a loan period of three weeks.

and responded by emerging as the player of the match in his role of sweeper in the City backline.

It was in that sixth minute that City, but for the brilliance of Maher, could have gone one up.

Hermiston took a direct free kick just outside the area and unleashed a vicious drive which was marked for the upper left hand corner until Maher flew from nowhere to push it round the post.

The Scot rarely missed a tackle and his probing lobs and enterprising midfield burst levelled plenty of pressure on Marconi's **Ivo Prskalo, Stuart Robertson** and **Paul Degney.**

Rasic obviously was unhappy with the Marconi first half progress when he replaced **Stewart Selvage** with the more attacking **Ernie Campbell** five minutes before half time.

The only blot on the game was a hostile demonstration against referee Des Miles over three incidents in the second half.

The crowd of 5,000 was incensed when Miles blew for offside, halting the progress of **Willie Conner**, despite the lack of a signal from his linesman.

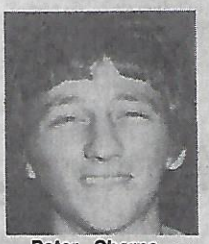
Earlier **John Coyne** had broken through the Marconi wall and as he headed towards Maher was blatantly tripped from behind, but the offender was not penalised.

But the spark which really ignited the crowd came near the end, with City down 1-0. Full back **Peter Nielsen** crossed into the box and Prskalo, as he went to ground, appeared to handle the ball, but City's pleas went unheeded.

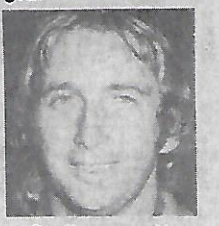
Marconi's best chance, apart from the goal, came in the danger period just on half time when **Sharne** was almost in but **Borzi** dived to smother the shot.

In the second half, he produced an equally agile save to stop **Byrne.**

And in the dying seconds, City still had a chance to snatch a point back when **Gaffney** barged his way through but failed to chest down a lob from **Pimblett** with only Maher to beat.



Peter Sharne — scored the winning goal



Goalkeeper Alan Maher — kept busy

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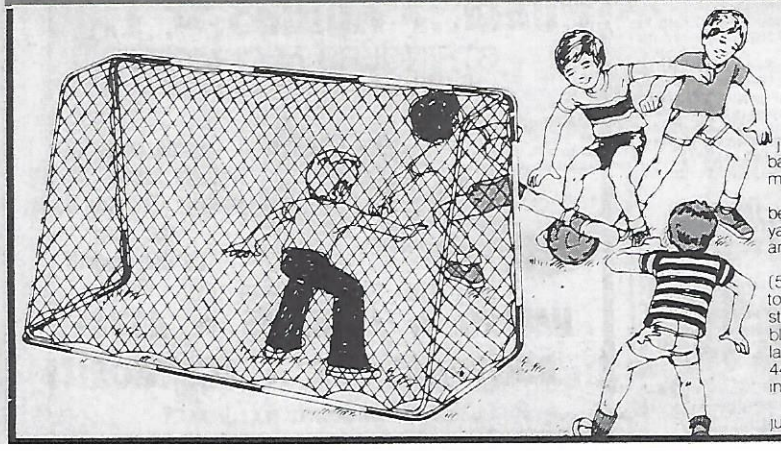

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Ollerton wins it by himself

By TOM ANDERSON

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If big Peter Ollerton was not crowned king of the Melbourne Greek community when he arrived back in Victoria on Saturday night, then there's no justice in this world of ours !

For it was the big fellow alone who gave South Melbourne Hellas its opening win of the season at the Sydney Sports Ground on Saturday.

He scored the two goals that gave Hellas its 2-0 win over Sydney Olympic and if he had not been there, Hellas could still have been playing without scoring a goal !

Big Ollie was at his mean and moody best and he demonstrated just what a prolific goal scoring machine he is.

This was his fifth important goal in seven days — the other three being for the Socceroos in their World Cup clash against New Zealand.

And the amazing fact about the whole situation is that until the big man scored in the 72nd minute he was being ignored by his team mates and given no service whatsoever.

And because of this he was forced to go looking for the ball in midfield, which was a sheer waste of talent.

The other two Hellas strikers, **Graham French** and **Duncan Cummings,** should have been made do this if the South Melbourne midfielders could not handle the situation on their own.

And Ollie should have been left up front to knock them in, as there is no better man at doing this than he.

Unfortunately on this occasion, French and Cummings were all right going forward, but when it came to the hard graft of shuttling back they seemed a bit shy of the job !

Olympic can count itself a bit unlucky at not coming out of this clash with a draw.

It had most of the play and more scoring chances than the Victorian team.

But unfortunately its strikers were sadly off form and its finishing very bad.

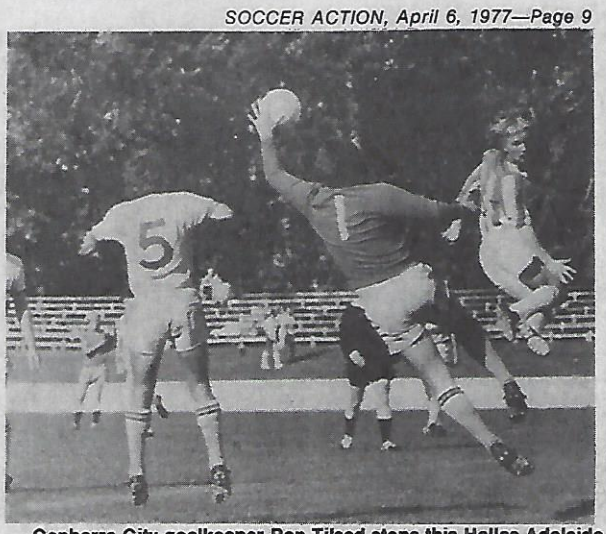
Also, **Jack Reilly** in the South Melbourne goal had a great afternoon and did everything required of him in a very capable and confident manner.

Ollerton scored his second goal in the 85th minute to put the issue beyond doubt when he went alone past two defenders before crashing a left-foot shot into the net from 20 metres.

This opening PSL game in Sydney was something to remember. It had color and excitement.

The attendance of 5,800 was encouraging and it is also probably the first time in Sydney that a club soccer game has outdrawn a club Rugby League game.

At the Rugby League clash between Newtown and Parramatta at Henson Park there were only 5,100 spectators.



Canberra City goalkeeper Ron Tilsed stops this Hellas Adelaide header during the match at Manuka Oval.

Grujicic, Stoddart off

By PAUL MILLS

C'berra 1 WA-Hellas 3

Four goals, two players sent off, four others booked and the referee booed off the park at Manuka Oval — these events signalled the start of national league soccer in Canberra on Saturday.

Three of the goals went to West Adelaide Hellas and deservedly so because they were by far the better side in the clash with Canberra City.

City nevertheless, fought magnificently and even when reduced to nine men after **Ivan Grujicic** and **John Stoddart** had been sent off after 77 minutes, they gave Hellas a hell of a fright.

The match looked like a cakewalk for Hellas from the opening minutes. City yielded the midfield area to **McCulloch, McGaghey** and big **Dave Pillans,** and this trio made the best of it.

They had all the time in the world to set up incisive attacks for Hellas front runners Kosmina, Honeyman and McGregor and it was no surprise when Kosmina opened the scoring after seven minutes.

Pillans took a throw on the left and McGregor pushed it across to Kosmina who was untroubled in slotting a low shot past **Tilsed** in the City goals.

Hellas' tactics were clear from the start. As soon as an attack broke down, up to eight players raced back into a tight defensive pattern which City found difficult to breach.

The **Stoddart** brothers, **Brian** and **John,** were never given a chance to show their skills. Close marking and uncompromising tackling snuffed out any chances which came their way.

Grujicic put in some penetrating first half runs but **Jones,** outstanding in the back four, never let the fast City forward get away.

City took the field in the second half with **Mike Black** replaced by **Kenny Kawaleva,** a hard-running forward, and the change almost brought a goal.

Vagianos sent a poorly-struck pass back to his goalkeeper and Kawaleva reached it first. His hard, low shot cannoned off 'Keeper **Crook,** much to Hellas' relief.

Two minutes later Hellas dealt a crushing blow to City's hopes of a revival. McCulloch took a corner on the left and sent it back to the unmarked Pillans whose header from 25 metres was swept into the net with a superb overhead kick by Jones.

In the 52nd minute Hellas went 3-0 up. McGaghey took the ball from Henderson in the centre circle and, with City moving forward, raced away unchallenged to beat Tilsed with a low shot into the corner.

Hellas coach **Mike Jonson** then took off Kosmina, replacing him with Pantelis, and six minutes later **Pillans** limped off to be replaced by **Bourke.**

Both changes caused problems for Hellas. The forwards lacked cohesion for the rest of the game and often had to be supported by **Jones** and **Amos,** running from the back line.

This left Hellas a bit stretched and **Reynolds** and **Vagianos** soon found they could not cope with **Henderson,** particularly in the air. **Pillans** had won everything in the air until he went off and shortly after his departure Henderson went close with two attempts, one hitting the cross bar.

The trouble started in the 63rd minute. McCulloch saw the yellow card first for a bruising foul on **Grujicic,** then **Honeyman** went into the book when he drew the referee's attention to the fact that **Pantelis** was lying injured at City's end of the pitch.

After 74 minutes City's **Langone** was booked for a foul on **Pantelis.**

Two minutes later, City scored its lone goal. Henderson took a free kick from his own half and it sailed over the defence. As Crook waited for it to drop into his hands Grujicic nipped in and volleyed the ball high into the net.

Then, a minute later, **John Stoddart** was sent off for a foul on **McGregor,** and he was followed by **Grujicic,** allegedly for using foul and abusive language.

Nine-man City was not finished. After 88 minutes **Danny Moulis,** one of two 16-year-old players on the park for City (the other was midfielder **Steven Hogg),** beat **Amos** and sent in a perfect cross which **Kawaleva** headed against the underside of the crossbar.

After the match, Crook said it was a goal but referee Dennis McDermott waved play on.

Lions grab a draw in Adelaide

By STEPHEN FAIRFAX

Juventus 0 Lions 0

Juventus Adelaide maintained its poor form by only drawing with a mediocre Brisbane Lions team at Olympic Sports Field in Adelaide last Sunday.

With the crowd of 6.000 urging them on, the Juventus players pinned Lions in their own half for most of the game but rarely looked like scoring.

Juventus' new boys **Gary Marocchi** and **Johnny Nyskohus** started the game as if they would take Lions apart on their own but fell away late in the game.

Nyskohus fought a lone battle up front but repeatedly showed his class with several explosive runs in the first half which had the Lions defence scrambling for cover.

Former International **John Perin** and young **Sergio Melta** controlled the midfield all day with Marocchi while City's back four of **Yung, Frazer, Lister** and **Matic** gave nothing away.

But Juventus has big problems up front. **David Leane** and **Brian Northcote** battled hard without ever looking dangerous.

Coach **Edmund Kreft** said he would stick with Leane and Northcote to partner Nyskohus for the match against Marconi at the weekend.

Juventus mid-

"They are our best strikers and I have no intention to upset that combination," he said after the game.

Lions' coach Les Scheinflug believes Juventus will go far although he gives his side a slim chance of finishing in the top six of the PSL table.

"Most of our boys have been together for only a few weeks so it will take time to build a formidable team," he said.

Lions' main problem is a lack of top class strikers. Most of their attacks were finished off by their midfield men while their strikers were easily bustled off the ball.

"Yes, it is a problem, but it is too early to start knocking our players," Scheinflug said.

"Once they build an understanding they will trouble a lot of defences."

Despite Lions' defensive tactics they should have won the game five minutes from the end.

After striking the cross-bar **Alan Lawrie** pounced on the ball but his weak shot was easily smothered by goalkeeper **Roger Romanowicz.**

I believe Lions learnt a lot from this game and I would be very surprised if they were unable to beat Canberra City in Brisbane on Sunday.

One bright note for Scheinflug was the form of **Roddy McKenzie,** a safe yet spectacular goalkeeper, Socceroo **Colin Bennett** and skipper **George Potter,** who kept the side together in defence.

Bennett and Potter

IN NZ THEY'D ALL BE OFF!

Up to as late as last Friday night, officials of Canberra City Soccer Club had begged the referees appointments board not to use ACT referees for home games in Canberra.

The pleas capped four months of requests along the same line. City's reasons were that it would prevent visiting sides from claiming bias and it would also enable Canberra supporters to see the best referees from interstate, but the pleas had no effect.

The consensus of opinion after Saturday's match was that Canberra referee **Dennis McDermott** of the ACT Referees Association had put in a bad performance.

He booked four players for fouls which were no worse than others committed before and after. He failed to caution a player who chopped down City's **Ivan Grujicic** three times in five minutes. He sent **John Stoddart** off for a foul which had brought others only a booking. And he sent off Grujicic for arguing and using bad language to one of his team-mates.

The game rarely flowed. He failed to apply the advantage rule on at least three occasions.

National coach Jim Shoulder said if McDermott had applied the same tactics in the recent international in Auckland all 22 players would have been sent off

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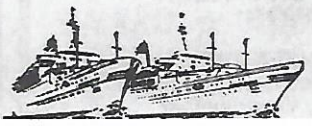

LIONS FIRST 'NEWCOMERS' TO WIN AMPOL CUP

By LES SHORROCK

The rampant Lions ate George Cross alive on Saturday night, and what's more, the Cross never raised a whimper as it went under. Essendon is thus the first newly-promoted club to win the Cup.

What's more, Essendon finished the series undefeated.

The atmosphere was electric when these two sides, the best in this year's Ampol Cup, kicked off with 6,000 excited fans yelling their heads off but unfortunately the game, as is so often the case with finals never reached great heights.

After an initial flurry by George, Lions' midfield got a grip on the game, which it never relinquished.

Even without injured Wally Kulyk and Ivica Grujicic, who for me had been the outstanding player of the series, Lions dominated the centre of the field.

Grujicic was on duty with Canberra City of course.

Before the game, Billy Wilkinson of George Cross was presented with the referees version of the best player in the competition.

That must have been tha last time Billy felt pleased with himself, for not only did he have a woeful match himself, but he had the additional mortification of watching his side play well below its best, and there was nothing he could do about it.

Referee **Zoumas** was well below the standard required for a match of this importance. In fact in the tense opening 15 minutes or so, players were tackling with such gusto and getting away with it that I thought the ref had either swallowed his whistle or fouls had been expunged from the book.

He also dropped a monumental clanger when he allowed Eddie Krncevic to run on and score from a blatantly off-side position.

For poor Georgie that was the final straw, although it came after only 32 minutes. Nine minutes before **Alex McConville** had managed to get his head in front of a fierce drive from Krncevic and divert away from a despairing **Lou Kastner** for an own goal.

Ten minutes from time McConville made amends of sorts when he cleared a shot from **Ken Murphy** off the line, but by then the score was 3-0, Murphy having scored with a fine individual effort after 70 minutes.

Going in 2-0 up at half-time, Lions threatened to run up a big score after the interval, but after weaving patterns for a quarter of an hour, they seemed to relax and sat on their lead.

Lions lost a lot of drive too when Krncevic went off with cramp, as he and Ken Murphy and to a lesser degree Drago Krajina had led the Lions attack with great dash and plagued the slow-looking Georgie back four.

Paul Deeming came on for **Roy Lawler,** but his form showed why he hadn't been picked in the first place, and Ebini found himself dropping back to counter the Lions' forwards. Late in the piece Georgie sent on new arrival **George Laurie,** apparently to add punch to the attack, but fortunately for him, the one punch he tried to land on **Ivan Ivanovic** never landed or he would have been sent packing.

In a good Lions side I thought their captain, **Johnny Gardiner** was outstanding, and he must have gained great satisfaction

ESSENDON LIONS 3(McConville o.g. 23, Krncevic 32, Murphy 75) GEORGE CROSS 0

Lions. Petrovski 6, Ivanovic 6, Gunn 6, Bilaver 6, Train 6, Wallace 7, Gardiner 8, Krajina 6, Vojtek 7, Krncevic 6 (Kuzmanov sub', Murphy 7,

GEORGE CROSS. Kaster 7, McConville 4, Maitland 5, Kelly 4, Barron 5, Webb 6, Cullen 6, Lawler 5, (sub Deeming 2), Murphy 5, Wilkinson 4, Ebini 4,

Referee Zoumas 3.

Ivan Ivanovic is chaired off by jubilant Essendon supporters after the Cup final. Picture by SAM BELFONTE.

Essendon's Eddy Krncevic — he was included in the State squad after his performance in The Ampol Cup Final.

Waaldyk the hero

By Les Shorrock

Box Hill retained the Cumberland Cup in an exciting match after twice being in arrears last Friday night at Olympic Park.

The V.S.F. did the Cumberland Cup proud by putting the final on at Olympic Park, but Box Hill, usually a smartly dressed outfit, didn't appreciate the importance of the occasion and wore what looked like a set of training jerseys.

'It's our change strip'. was the lame excuse, but the jester who suggested that the local opportunity shop was the club's new sponsor was probably nearer the mark.

It was a pity that the team looked so drab and that the numbers were indistinguishable, because the football they turned on was anything but drab, in fact one of Olympic Park's officials said it was the most exciting match he had seen there for years.

Doveton opened brightly and new signing **Jim McMinimee** (ex - Albion and Frankston), was prominent with a couple of good runs down the right, as were **Godwin Hili** and **Brian Roderick.**

Doveton took the lead after 10 minutes, when a corner taken by Hili swung in under the bar and **Graham Morgan** could only punch it into the roof of the net.

However the lead was short-lived, for the Box Hill 'twins' **Taylor and Berardini** clicked and after 18 minutes, Berardini levelled the scores.

After that it was end to end stuff, with plenty of near misses at both ends, until the final minutes of the half.

Box Hill captain McLeod holds up the Cumberland Cup, in front of VSF secretary George Wallace.

Then three goals came in five minutes, with Godwin Hili starting it off, putting Doveton back in front with his second goal.

Ray Taylor cancelled that one out to put Box Hill level three minutes later and then, while Doveton was still reeling from the shock of losing the lead twice, Box Hill went into the lead.

This was the best goal of the game and newcomer Ken Hall from Liverpool had a big hand in it. He exploited a big space on the left and slung over a cross for Aukie Waaldyk to head home like a bullet.

The Box Hill fans, up till then subdued by the vociferous Doveton choir, finally woke up and the teams went in for half-time with the game well and truly alight and the promise of a big score in the offing.

However the coaches must have done some hard talking, for when the game resumed it soon appeared obvious that Box Hill was prepared to sit on its lead and the irrepressible **Paul Corke** whose forays upfield had left the inexperienced **Tuffield** exposed, was pulled back.

Doveton never looked like catching up.

In fact, 17 minutes from time, Box Hill went further ahead, again through **Waaldyk,** and in the end ran out convincing winners.

BOX HILL 4 (Waaldyk 43, 68, Berardini 18, Taylor 41).

DOVETON 1 (Hill 10, 37).

Ratings.

BOX HILL: Morgan 6, Benton 7, Lapish 5, Corke 5, Tuffield 5, Brown 5, McLeod 6, Taylor 6, Waaldyk 7, Berardini 6, Hall 6.

DOVETON. Reiss 5, Taylor 6, Garland 5, Thurlow 6, Kingsley 4 (sub Murray 5), Curry 4(Wilson 5), McMinimee 6, Roderick 6, Gaw 5, G. Hill 7, Smith 5.

Referee. GORT. 6

Essendon meets Juventus

Terry Hargreaves

Keilor City goalkeeper Danny Lacok may play his first game for Essendon Lions against Juventus at Montgomery Park, Essendon, at 3 pm. on Sunday.

Proceeds from the match will go to Juventus as the balance of **Billy Vojtek's** transfer fee.

Essendon was negotiating for Lacok this week.

It offered three players in exchange — **Ray Langdale, Ian Leaves** and **Russell Pasicznyi,** but Keilor also wants **Zdenko Brklajacic.**

In addition to any player exchange there will be a match between Keilor and Essendon late this year, and Keilor will keep the proceeds.

At the time we went to Press, Keilor was negotiating with the players offered by Essendon.

Terry Hargreaves, who played as a winger for Croatia in 1968, 69 and 70, has returned from England where he played in the Southern League, and has joined Essendon.

He too may play against Juventus on Sunday.

The Juventus team may feature **Charlie Smith** from Falkirk, Partick Thistle and St Johnstone. Smith is subject of a dispute between Juventus and Footscray J.U.S.T. over which team he belongs to.

Juventus was also trying to buy **Jimmy Armstrong** from Hellas to replace **Ulysses Kokkinos** who was to be sold to Fitzroy Alexander.

'Tin shed' no longer

"The old tin shed" that stood on the Green Gully reserve during past seasons has been replaced by the best rooms in the west.

Sunday saw the opening of the new grounds & facilities for the Green Gully club, now in the State League, in the presence of many big names in the soccer scene: George Wallace, Theo Marmaras **(president V.S.F.), sports writer** Les Shorrock, **and many others.-**

The Commissioner of the City of Keilor, Mr. K. Holland, **was there to officially open the new clubrooms before kicking the ball off to start the friendly game between Green Gully and Preston Makedonia.**

A speech by Ajax president Len Stafrace **told how the club had been striving for this day for many years, and now that it was here, the club could look forward to even more facilities including tennis, darts, and indoor bowls, and of course more soccer.**

Commissioner Holland then unveiled a plaque and officially opened the new clubrooms and ground.

The Commissioner of the City of Keilor, Mr. K. Holland (left), with Green Gully Ajax president Lew Stafrace, unveiling the plaque for the new Ajax ground. Picture by BERNIE WASLIN.

N'wading's Cup

Nunawading won the under 13 Ampol Cup final by beating Green Gully 4-2 at Olympic Park.

Keith Valentine *scored two goals and the others came from Peter Burley and* **Greg Hankel.**

In the final of the under 12 lightning championship Knox City beat Moreland 2-1

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State League clubs enter the Dockerty Cup

COACHES CLASH AT THE PARK!

By LES SHORROCK

Who will be this year's giant-killers? That was my first thought on seeing the draw for the third round of the Dockerty Cup.

There is no doubt that the departure of the "big four", coupled with the new open nature of the seedings in this year's Cup has given us the most intriguing draw since Federation.

None of the Philips League reserve sides has survived, and overall the draw has an evenness about it that promises some exciting, close contests.

No doubt, the match of the round is at Olympic Park, where bold, forward-looking Doveton comes up against a Juventus determined to re-establish itself as a major soccer power.

It has an intriguing clash of coaches too, with **Bobby McLachlan,** who coached the State side last year, opposed to outspoken Brian Edgeley, 1975's coach of the year.

Juventus has new players on the way and because of higher status, must be taken as the favorite but I am sure that Bobby won't be taking Doveton lightly.

Olympic Park's other game sees George Cross opposed to Doncaster Rovers, and that should result in an easy win for Georgie.

On current form Essendon Lions would have to be considered joint favorites for the Cup with Georgie and they start with a game against new First Division member Dandenong.

Lions will find that Dandenong has a few ball-players, notably **Jimmy Smart** who first came to Australia with Chelsea and returned to join Lions before they were reconstituted.

Although I expect Lions to win, they should not be too casual.

In the other game at the Showgrounds, Slavia comes up against Western Suburbs, coached this season by **Hugh Murney.**

Wests have been quietly acquiring a few players and could be a surprise packet.

Two of the Provisional League's survivors will be in action at Jubilee Park.

One of them, East Brunswick, is on top of the world after disposing of Melbourne in the previous round, and will give Croydon City a good game.

The other side, Williamstown, has a harder task in coming up against Ringwood city.

Interest at Sunshine will be centred on the performances of Werribee and Bell Park, both of whom have drawn strong opposition.

Werribee, conqueror of Mooroolbark in the previous round, will be facing Albion Rovers in what is virtually a local Derby.

Albion, after going out of the Cumberland Cup rather surprisingly, will be looking for a morale-booster.

The Rovers should make a bold bid to win the Metro League this year, so this game should prove a pointer to their chances.

Sunshine City will find Bell Park, its opponent in the other match, a side that plays good soccer. Bell Park has had a meteoric rise in recent seasons and is one of the better teams in the Metro Second Division.

At Wembley Park, Morwell Falcons, newcomers to the Metro League, will be opposed to Box Hill, coached this year by Sandy Henderson.

Box Hill, after a disappointing finish last year, will be looking for promotion this time and has strengthened its team with players like **Graham Morgan, Jim Lapish** and **Aukie Waaldyk.**

Serge Berardini was plagued with injuries last year but he should be prominent amongst the goalscorers again after his lay-off.

In the other game at Box Hill, Frankston City, with new signing **Eric Gillespie,** and experience in the Ampol Cup behind it, should be too strong for Ferntree Gully, which has had a poor run recently.

At Maribyrnong, Makedonia, one of the fancied teams for the State League four, should have no problems in disposing of Ardeer (previously Newport), although Ardeer is a good ball-playing side.

Polonia should be too good for Port Melbourne.

Green Gully Ajax, riding the crest of a wave after a fine achievement in reaching the Ampol Cup semi-finals, opposes Hamlyn Rangers in the first game at Altona's ground, and must win.

Altona City itself, struggling to find form, will find Keilor Austria harder, but with Altona's Ampol Cup experience it should prove too good.

There is only one game at Middle Park, which seems a waste, and here hakoah should have a reasonably easy task against Richmond.

The next round will be played on the Queen's Birthday.

Makedonia midfield dynamo Tommy Fox — He'll oppose Marian Sowula in Ardeer's midfield.

Manny Spiteri (left) of Green Gully, tackles George Cross' John Webb. On Saturday he'll face Hamlyn Rangers.

Polonia champion Andy Czapnik.

Marian Sowula of Ardeer.

Western Suburbs coach Hugh Murney.

Mick Benton or Box Hill scores from a penalty. A defender, he'll give Morwell Falcons a hard time in the cup.

ALL THE GAMES

Dockerty Cup matches on Saturday:

Chaplin Reserve, Sunshine
1pm Albion Rovers v Werribee
2.45pm Sunshine City v Bell Park
Maribyrnong Reserve, Raleigh Road
1pm Polonia v Port Melbourne
2.45pm Preston-Makedonia v Ardeer
Wembley Park, Canterbury Rd., Box Hill:
1pm Frankston City v Ferntree Gully
2.45pm Box Hill v Morwell Falcons

Waverley City's Ground, Sixth Avenue, Burwood
2.45pm Waverley City v Coburg
Kim Reserve, Millers Rd., Altona:
1pm Green Gully Ajax v Hamlyn Rangers
2.45pm Altona City v Keilor Austria

At the Showgrounds, Langs Road, Ascot Vale:
1pm Essendon Lions v Dandenong City
2.45pm Slavia v Western Suburbs
Jubilee Park, Ringwood:
1pm Croydon City v East Brunswick
2.45pm Ringwood City v Williamstown
Middle Park
2.45pm Hakoah v Richmond
Olympic Park:
1pm George Cross v Doncaster R
2.45pm Juventus v Doveton

● Bobby McLachlan

● Brian Edgeley

Jim Smart (left) being persued by John Daperis of Hellas. Smart, then of George Cross, is now with Dandenong, which meets his first Australian club, Essendon Lions, at the Showgrounds on Saturday.

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Only 5,000 watch State League

Total attendance at the six Rothmans State League games in Sydney last weekend was only 5,128.

The major surprise of the first round was the 2 - 1 defeat of Croatia by Apia.

And Wollongong City had a surprise 5 - 2 win over Canterbury.

Here is a summary of the games played:

BY TOM ANDERSON

APIA 2 — CROATIA 1 at Lambert Park. Attendance — 2530.

At long last Apia have managed to win a game and they can thank their young striker **David Jack** for the breakthrough!

Young Jack scored both of Apia's goals in a match that never reached any great heights.

Croatia started pre-match favorites as they had their problematical midfielder **John Davies** back in their side along with super Socceroo **Atti Abonyi.**

Despite this Croatia never got into top gear and midfield play was almost non existent.

Although this was Apia's first win of the season there is still plenty of room for improvement in this present lineup.

SCORERS: Apia - Jack 2, Croatia - Fenoughty.

AVALA 1 — SUTHERLAND 1 at Bankstown. Attendance — 794.

"They couldn't have hit a barn door from five metres!", is how one loyal Sutherland supporter summed up his team's performance after the game.

For Sutherland's finishing was so bad it was unbelievable.

Chance after chance was wasted by the Sutherland strikers in a game they dictated for most of the time.

Avala took the lead in the 17th minute but after this were never in it.

This is one game both teams will want to forget in a hurry.

SCORERS: Avala — Milovanovic, Sutherland — Lavin.

WOLLONGONG 5 — CANTERBURY 2 at Berkeley Sportsground. Attendance — 780.

They say a new broom sweeps clean and this game was no exception.

For this was City's first big match under the leadership of their new palyer-coach **Kevin Perkins** and it was a successful one.

The youthful City team produced an entertaining performance after their dismal Ampol Cup series.

Another big surprise was that City looked a good deal fitter than Canterbury.

The Wollongong management were in raptures after the game and for some reason now fancy themselves to take out the 1977 Rothmans title.

SCORERS: Wollongong — Beggs 2, Morlando, Williams, Perkins, Canterbury — Katholis, Muskovits.

AUBURN 1 — BANKSTOWN 1 at Mona Park. Attendance — 374.

This was one game that Bankstown never dreamed of drawing.

For, owing to injuries to a number of their key players, Bankstown had to field a patchwork team.

And when Auburn striker **Pat Dellar** opened the scoring for Auburn in the 55th minute it looked all over bar the shouting.

But stranger things have happened in football and after a terrific performance by their goalkeeper **Freeman** they managed to grab the equaliser in the 80th minute through striker **Denis Daley.**

Auburn have only themselves to blame for not getting a result.

SCORERS: Auburn — Dellar, Bankstown — Daley.

MANLY 2 — YUGAL-PRAGUE 0 at the Sydney Athletic Field. Attendance — 350.

This was spoiled by some bad tempered play and needless fouling.

Four players were booked in a clash that did nothing to enhance the reputation of either team.

Surprisingly Manly dominated the midfield and dictacted the play.

A few years ago this would have been unheard of against a team such as Yugal!

The highlight of the game was **Rooly Roozandaal's** goal which he blasted in from 20 metres.

SCORERS: Manly — Roozandaal, Malam.

ARNCLIFFE SCOTS 1 — GRANVILLE 1 at Hurstville Oval. Attendance — 300.

What the teams lacked in skill they made up for in effort and the ball was certainly given some stick one way or another!

Neither one looked like real championship material although they will produce their quota of shocks as the season progresses.

Granville could have pulled the game out of the fire had their strikers been on target.

But the Arncliffe defence stuck to their task and deserved a point.

SCORERS: Arncliffe — Stevenson, Granville — Johns.

This week's matches:

SATURDAY

ROTHMANS STATE LEAGUE: Helles C/M'ville v Auburn, Arlington Oval.

2ND DIVISION Belmore v Marrickville Blick Oval.

3RD DIVISION Riverstone v Gladesville Rav. Schofields Park, Lethbridge v Campbelltown Jersey Road.

4TH DIVISION Artarmon v Sydney Uni. Artamon Reserve, Ryde District v Nth. Bankstown Hall Park.

5TH DIVISION Kingsford v West St. George Turrawull Park.

6TH DIVISION: North Ryde v Prospect City. North Ryde Oval. West Holroyd v Bonrigg Pendle Hill Park.

7TH DIVISION: Pagewood v Fairfield West Jellicoe Park.

SUNDAY

ROTHMANS STATE LEAGUE: Sutherland Shire v Wollongong City. Seymour Shaw. Bankstown v Yugal-Prague. Soccer Centre, Granville P'matta v Manly Warringah Garside Park.

2ND DIVISION: North Sydney Inter v Gladesville Horns. North Sydney Oval. Warringah v Polonia, Graham Reserve. Ku-Ring-Gai v Toongabbie, Parklands Oval, Guildford v Queens Park, Guildford Park. Melita Eagles v Revesby Workers. Mona Park.

3RD DIVISION: Yagoona v Blacktown, O'Neill Park. Wonty Warratahs v Nepean-Corinthian, Centenary Park. West Ryde v Uni. of NSW. L.H. Waud Sp. Grd.

4TH DIVISION: Chelsea v Lane Cove, Moore Park. Bathurst '75 v Balkham Hills, 2 Bod. Holroyd v Padstow Park. West Guildford S/G.Greenwich v Dee Why, Gore Creek.

5TH DIVISION: Revesby Rovers v North Rocks, Armor Park. Fairfield v Auburn Juniors, Knight Park. Ashcroft v Concordia, Stanwell Oval. Eastwood v Marsubra, Lower Eastwood Ov. Hurstville v Belfield R.S.L., Evatt Park.

6TH DIVISION: Camden v Haberfield, Ponderossa Park. Macquarie Uni. v Greenvalley, Macquarie Uni. Oval. Southern Dists. v Canley Heights, Hexton Park No. 2.

7TH DIVISION: Eastern Creek v Greystanes, Eastern Creek Park. Normanhurst v Liverpool, Normanhurst Oval. Lakemba R.S.C. v Moorebank, Parry Park. South Sydney v Hawkesbury, Booralloo Park.

MONDAY

ROTHMANS STATE LEAGUE: Croatia Sydney v Avala, Marks Field. Arncliffe Scots v Apia-Leichardt, Hurstville Oval.

3RD DIVISION: Port Hacking v Bondi Marines, Seymour Shaw.

Tommy Docherty calls for the birch to stop violence

LONDON — Manchester United Manager Tommy Docherty called for the birch to deter his club's renowned trouble-making supporters after a day of violence at Norwich last Saturday.

Twenty people were arrested and 36 injured, including two hospitalised, after a rampaging minority of United fans brawled with police and opposing fans at Norwich's Carrow Road ground.

Norwich ended Manchester United's 15-match unbeaten record, winning 2-1, but paid a heavy price with ground damage.

Docherty, calling for tougher measures to curb crowd violence, said: "I think the birch would be a great deterrent. Fines are no use and half of them are not even paid."

"These fans bring so much shame to our club, but there is no simple solution. The government can't find it, the police can't and neither can we."

Dozens of United fans vented their fury at the defeat by ripping up wooden planks from a grandstand for a series of attacks on police and Norwich fans.

At one stage Docherty went amongst the fans and pleaded for peace as fighting spilled onto the pitch.

Amputate!

Tommy Docherty stood before the grandstand and addressed the crowd at Norwich: Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your ears.

So his countrymen threw him a few dozen ears.

They then threw him the grandstand and several unsecured onlookers.

This was the fan's way of protesting Manchester United's defeat by Norwich last Sunday.

His plea carried the same weight and sense as that of the chap in old western movies who is sitting astride a horse with a rope tied around his neck and the loud mouthed leader of the pack is about to clout the horse on the backside.

"I'm innocent," cries the about-to-be-dispatched.

"I was nowhere near widow Hen's place last night, I've never even seen the school-marm. You must believe me . . . please believe me. Ask Walter Brennan, he was with me all night."

"Ha ha ha," laughs the crowd, "old soak Brennan's into his second bottle of Red-eye. Your damn-as-hell guilty.

"This is a town for decent folk an' we're makin' sure it stays that way."

And as the bit-part actor swings into oblivion, in rides Randolph Scott shouting "You fools, what have you done? I arrested Black Pete this morning. He had Widow Hen's knickers in his teeth, and he is sure-as-hell guilty."

This analogy is drawn to show that a lynch-mob, like any other mob, has no interest in justice or the plight of Widow Hen's chastity.

They are spurred on by nothing more than a self-generating blood lust.

The issues are meaningless and the purpose of the exercise is to damage someone.

Rationality in a frenzied mob is as useful as ball-bearings at a cannibal's luncheon or an inedible I.Q. test paper to Idi Amin Dada.

Remember the last order given to his men by General Custer, that immortal phrase: "Take no prisoners."

And so I read Tommy Docherty's plea to the moronic minority which started beating up on everyone at last Sunday's match in England.

One can't plead with a group of sub-intellects that they are damaging their own club with their behaviour.

The fact is that they neither care about their club nor about the game of soccer.

Their sole desire is to get the dubious pleasure of drawing blood and the weird excitement that they might be one of the donors.

These types could cause a fracas and head-splitting acts at a geriatric's bingo match.

The venue matters now, it's the accessibility of the veins.

But I must disagree with Docherty's suggestion of the birch to offenders.

This is playing into their hands (pardon the pun), for the added thrill of getting whipped for one's outrages is to give the outrage added attraction.

It is my belief that the jahoo pub brawler is in fact unconsciously saying; "Beat me up, hurt me. I want to suffer. Make me into a saint."

For what other reason would a person wait until he is disadvantaged with booze before he starts his fight-picking?

So it will be with soccer "fans" if the threat of caning is introduced.

The only sure way of preventing violence at any sporting event is to have the perpetrators knackered, de-armed (amputation that is) and sent to a leper colony.

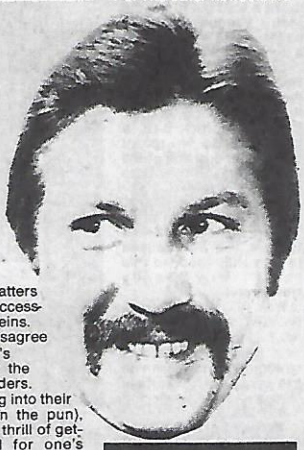
But as society will not tolerate such extremities, I'm afraid that there will always be violence at soccer until a universal law making intelligence compulsory is passed.

Five by Stolovec and Tagliaferro

The 1977 Victorian Industrial League season got under way last Sunday with some surprising if not shock results. Bosch v T.A.A. featured with 11 goals. The League's joint leading goalscorer, Vince Tagliaferro, carried on where he left off last season by scoring 5 with Milan Stolovec joined him with the same tally.

By RON DARLINGTON

Ford Falcons immediately made their presence felt in the Premier Division by thrashing Bowater Scott 4-0. The other newcomers W.D. & H.O. Wills made a match of it at Pegasus only going down 1-0. It could have been more but a brilliant save by the Wills keeper from a penalty restricted the scoring. The goal was scored by **Stephen Fus.**



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League champions McColl Dynamo 'A' were 4-0 up against Repco Richmond but Repco improved considerably after the interval and controlled the game for a period but still went down to the champs 5-2. **Tony Scicluna** scored a hat-trick for McColl.

Newly promoted Ansett and T.A.A. didn't get off he ground in their first matches of the season, in high scoring second division games Bosch found the net on 7 occasions but let in 4 themselves, **Milan Stolovec** enjoyed himself scoring 5 of Bosch's goals.

Philip Morris, leading Ansett 3-0 with wind assistance at the interval, finally won 5-3 thanks to the **Vega** duo, **Rene** getting a hat-trick and **Alex** the other two.

Goals were in short supply in the game between A.N.Z. Bank 'A' and Public Works 'A' and a lone goal by **Gary Kryiacou** in the 83rd minute was enough to win the game for the Workers.

Continental Distillers will again sponsor the knock-out Black Douglas Cup Competition which each year becomes more difficult to win as the competitiveness of the teams increases.

The Cup final will be at Middle Park on Sunday, September 25,

The draw for the first round on Sunday, May 17 is: A.G.C.F. v Quaker-Luv, A.H.D. v Siemens 'B', Ansett v Fibre Containers, Aquila Steel v Linatex, Caulfield Spears v Ford Falcons, C.B.C. Bank v McColl Dynamo 'A', C.I.G. v A.N.Z. Bank 'A', Fibremakers v Rowntree Hoadley, James Miller v Middle Park V.R.I. 'A', Keeley United v A.N.Z. Bank 'B', K.S.C. United v Gascor City, L.E.T.S. v McColl Dynamo 'B', Leyland v Reyrolle United, Lysaght v Bowater Scott, Melbourne Meats v Bosch, Middle Park V.R.I. 'B' v A.C.I. Box Hill, Olympic Tyre v R.A.C.V., Parory Florinis v Repco Richmond, Philip Morris v A.R. Split, R.A.A.F. Point Cook v Kodak United, Repco Cooldrive v Taxation United, Ringwood Lanes v Colyer Watson Rovers, Sperry Vickers v T.A.A., Tarax v Pegasus, Travellers Melbourne v Wills, Byes: Cester Poultry, Diecraft, Public Works 'A', Public Works 'B', Siemens 'A', Tessa Town, The Age.

Results:

Division 1. — Ford Falcons 4 Bowater Scott 0. R.A.C.V. 7 Kodak United 1. McColl Dynamo 'A' 5 Repco Richmond 2. Melbourne Meats 3 Tarax 3. Pegasus 1 W.D. & H.O. Wills 0.

Division 2. — A.N.Z. Bank 'A' 0 Public Works 'A' 1. Bosch 7 T.A.A. 4. Middle Park V.R.I. 'A' 5 A.C.I. Box Hill 3. Philip Morris 5 Ansett 3. Siemens 'A' 0 Sperry Vickers 2.

Division 3. — Fibre Containers 0 Colyer Watson Rovers 5. L.E.T.S. 1 Reyrolle United 1. Lysaght 0 Diecraft 1. Rowntree Hoadley 2 Leyland 4. Taxation United 0 C.B.C. Bank 0.

Division 4 East — Fibremakers United 4 Tessa Town 1. Public Works 'B' 2 McColl Dynamo 'B' 3. Ringwood Lanes 0 Keeley United 7. The Age 1 Cester United 3.

Division 4 North — A.G.C.F. 6 A.N.Z. Bank 'B' 1. A.R. Split 0 Travellers Melbourne 1. K.S.C. United 0 A.H.D. 0. Repco Cooldrive 0 Caulfield Spears 3.

Division 4 West — Aquila Steel 2 Middle Park VRI (B) 2. Gascor City 1 R.A.A.F. Point Cook 5. Parory Florinis 5 Siemens 'B' 1. Quaker-Luv 2 James Miller 2.

Court threat to transfers?

From page one.

It's also been claimed that Croatia failed to meet certain provisions of the contract, which apparently meant the club relinquished its hold on Davies.

Croatia disputes these claims.

It is believed that a few ASF officials have advised Canberra officials not to pursue the case, because if it gets to court, it could wreck the entire transfer system.

The Davies case or the one in Melbourne could certinly do just that.

Picture yourself in the following predicament:

You grow disinterested in your job and you seek a change. You're all set to start your new job when you hear that your old employer won't let you. He wants $20,000 for you from your new employer.

The employers have banded together to ensure that they get adequate compensation from each other for lost personnel!

That's exactly how it is in soccer!

some clubs initially, but ill-effects would be short-lived.

One could argue that the rich club could lure all the best players because they have the money to offer in signing-on fees.

However, don't the rich clubs also have the money to offer in transfer fees? Where's the difference?

When a player has seen out his contract with a particular club, he will logically move on to the higher bidder.

If he's a good player, bidding will be spirited just as it is at the moment on the transfer market.

The new system would obviously be beneficial to the players. They and not the clubs will pocket the big money.

But the clubs can protect themselves by signing players to long-term instead of short-term contracts the way the Rugby League clubs are doing in Sydney.

No one can deny that the soccer "slave trade" has long been an unsavoury part of our structure.

We believe it should be removed — and sooner or

Kevin Keegan scores in England's 5-0 victory over Luxembourg.

WORLD CUP ROUND-UP

LEIGHTON JAMES IS KING!

WREXHAM,— Czechoslovakia, the European champion flew home licking the wounds of a 3-0 defeat inflicted by an inspired Welsh team here in their World Cup European Group Seven Qualifying match.

Manager **VACLAV JEZEK** said sadly, "There were many mistakes in our defence. It is too soon to explain. First I must think about the match, then I must speak to our players.

"But at the moment I must say our position in the group is very bad."

Wales leads the group on goal difference. Wales, Scotland and Czechoslovakia all have two points from two games.

The Czechs were without three first choice defenders — two hurt and the others suspended. Against that, Wales was short of two key players, both injured.

Czech defenders Karel Dobias after being booked.

But one of the Welsh replacements, **Leighton James,** scored two goals and set up the other.

He was the outstanding player on view, and charmed a crowd which had begun by booing his name when the team was announced because he had been preferred to their local idol, Mike Thomas.

James had originally been dropped from the Welsh eleven for "lack of effort" in a World Cup defeat by Scotland.

He harnessed prodigious skills to tireless concentration and was roughly handled by several Czech defenders.

He punished them for one foul in salutory style, taking the free kick himself and curling in the opening goal after 26 minutes.

Midway through the second half James stroked the delicate through pass which ended in **Nick Deacy,** who plays in Holland for P.S.V. Eindhoven, scoring.

With a quarter of an hour to go, James streaked down the left wing and slipped a memorable third goal past goalkeeper **Vencel.**

Wales manager **Mike Smith** said happily: "Leighton proved me wrong."

James said: "The result delights me. Individual performances don't matter."

Czechoslavakia had **Karel Dobias** booked for a foul — inevitably on James. And James himself was later booked for dissenting against a decision which deprived him of yet another free kick.

WALES: Davies (Everton) **Thomas** (Derby) **Evans** (Crystal Palace) **Jones** (Liverpool) **Phillips** (Aston Villa) **Griffiths** (Wrexham) **Flynn** (Burnley) **Yorath** (Coventry) **Mahoney** (Stoke) **Deacy** (PSV Eindhoven) and **James** (Derby).

CZECHOSLOVAKIA SQUAD: Vencel, Dobias, Pivernik, Biros, Jurkemik, Dvorak, Geogh, Moder, Pollack, Panenka, Kosak, Masny, Nehoda, Gaudusek and Vaseley.

Mike Channon — scored twice for England, once from a penalty.

Two by Channon

LONDON. — England, with four second half goals, beat Luxembourg 5-0 in their World Cup clash here to take over at the top of European Group Two.

Needing a goal glut against the Luxembourg part-timers to keep alive its World Cup hopes, England was held to a one-goal lead at half-time and frustration marked its play.

But four goals in 20 minutes after the interval sent an 81,000 crowd home happy and looking forward to England's last home match in the group, against Italy in November, to decide which of the two qualifies for a place in Argentina next year.

It was only when Luxembourg defender **Fandel** went off for treatment that England broke through.

Winger GORDON HILL headed down and Trevor Francis scored with a low shot in the 58th minute to Kevin Keegan had put away after nine minutes of the match.

Seven minutes later **Ray Kennedy** got the third and two goals from **Mick Channon,** one a penalty, wrapped up the match.

Luxembourg began the match in its expected defensive formation, leaving England to attack throughout the game with only three men left at the back.

But after Keegan's opening goal, headed in from **Dave Watson's** cross, England failed to press home its advantage.

At half time **Paul Mariner** was brought on for his first international, replacing striker **Joe Royle** to give the attack better balance.

England pressured the Luxembourg defence unceasingly, but, as in the first half, continued to miss chances until **Francis** found the back of the net.

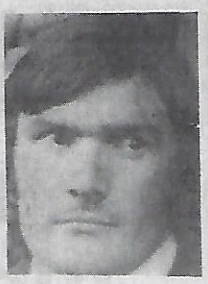
Kennedy's low shot made it 3-0, and in the 68th minute **Channon** headed in from a corner.

two earlier penalty appeals, the Maltese referee pointed to the spot 11 minutes from time when Channon appeared to be pushed, and the England striker slotted home the penalty.

Luxembourg midfield player **Gilbert Dresch** was sent off four minutes from the end for a foul on Channon, having earlier been cautioned for the same offence.

ENGLAND: Clemence, Gidman, Watson, Cherry, Francis, Hughes, Keegan, Channon, Royle (Mariner), **Kennedy, Hill.**

LUXEMBOURG: Zender Fandel, Mond, Pilot Margue, Zuang Domenico, Dresch, Phillip, Braun, Dussier.



Two-goal hero Leighton James.

Ireland is tops

DUBLIN — The Republic of Ireland beat France1-0 (half time 1-0) in a European Group Five World Cup qualifying match.

Group five standings after the match.

	W	D	L	F	A	P
FRANCE	1	1	1	4	3	3
IRELAND	1	0	1	1	2	2
BULGARIA	0	1	0	2	2	1

Ireland included **Kearns** (Walsall) **Mulligan** (West Bromwich), **Martin** (West Bromwich), **O'Leary** (Arsenal), **Givens** (Queens Park Rangers), **Treacy** (West Bromwich) **Heighway** (Liverpool) and **Giles.**

FRANCE: Rouyer, Lacombe, Rocheteau, Bathenay, Platini, Synaeghel, Tusseau, Lopez, Rio, Janvion, Rey.

Showdown

The Americans have invented what they call the soccer showdown.

It's used instead of penalties to break a deadlock.

In the showdown, the forward can run at the goalkeeper from 35 metres, the goalie is allowed to move, and the forward has five seconds

High bids for finals

BUENOS AIRES. — With three nations through to the final stage of the South American World Cup qualifying contest, disagreement has sprung up over who should stage the triangular elimination matches.

Peru beat Chile 2-0 to join Brazil and Bolivia in the final stage which will guarantee two of the sides a place in the finals in Argentina next year.

Brazil opened the bidding for the privilege of holding the competition by offering its rivals 50,000 U.S. dollars (45,000 dollars Aust.) a match to play at the 165,000-capacity Maracano Stadium in Rio De Janeiro — a bid which was promptly doubled by the Bolivian football authorities.

Technically, the play-off should be on neutral territory, but this rule can be waived if all finalists are in agreement. Peru has rejected both its rivals' offers and intends to demand a neutral venue.

The Venezuelan Football Federation has offered to pay the three finalists 10,000 U.S. dollars ($9,000 dollars Aust.) each to play in neutral Venezuela.

But the argument is unlikely to be settled before the next meeting of the South American Football Confederation in Bogota on May 27, and sports commentators here think Argentina, host of next year's finals, is the most likely venue.

One of the three finalists, Bolivia, was the only one which had a consistent lead from the start of the 18-match series.

The Bolivians scored six goals in winning their first three matches, conceding only one. They dropped one point away to Uruguay in a game that could have no effect on the outcome.

Triple world champion Brazil was struggling at the beginning but recovered after changing managers in mid-series.

Even so, the South American soccer giants could manage only a 1-1 draw at home against Paraguay, but the point assured it of a place in the next round.

Chile and Peru jostled neck and neck in group three, with the Chileans one point ahead before the deciding game.

The Peruvians scored two goals in the second half to finish with six points against Chile's five and a place in the next round.

The most disappointed side in the series must have been former world champion Uruguay. Its only win was in a home match against Venezuela and a point from a 2-2 draw against Bolivia came too late to help it towards the finals.

And now it's eat, drink, be merry!

Klaus Mehlhose, coach of Berlin club Hertha 03 Zehlendorf, has been sacked following the team's recent tour of Australia.

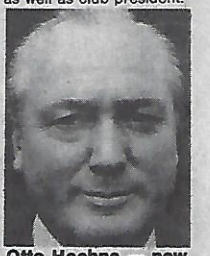
The sacking followed clashes on tour between Mehlhose and club president **Otto Hoehne.**

Mehlhose, a strict disciplinarian, wanted his players to live Spartan lives during the tour whereas fun-loving Hoehne took the side of the players who wanted to enjoy themselves.

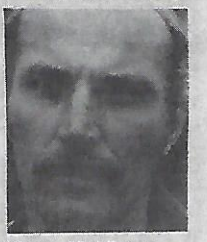
Apparently the clash created ill feeling by Mehlhose towards Hoehne — feeling that quickly became mutual.

Finally Hoehne sent Mehlhose a telegramme saying he was no longer required.

Hoehne is now coach as well as club president.



Otto Hoehne — new coach as well.



Klaus Mehlhose — sacked.

Orphaned children will get $30,000

LONDON, — Chelsea raised £19,381 sterling (30,234 dollars Aust) in a charity match for the dependents of its former player, Peter Houseman, killed in a car crash two weeks ago.

A big crowd saw the present Chelsea Second Division team beat Chelsea's 1970 F.A. Cup winning team 3-0 at Stamford Bridge.

The proceeds will go into a fund set up for the six children orphaned by the crash, in which Houseman's wife and two friends were also killed.

Waddington job to Eastham

LONDON, — Tony Waddington, English soccer's longest-serving manager has resigned from Stoke City after more than 20 years with the club.

No reason was given for the resignation, although Waddington had been under fire this season for Stoke's poor First Division record. The team had scored only 17 goals in 29 league games.

Waddington, who became manager of Stoke 17 years ago after moving up from assistant manager, was noted for signing players reaching the end of their careers and giving them a new lease of life.

One of these was **George Eastham,** who has taken over the club as caretaker manager.

In the past year. Waddington sold several of Stoke's star players to ease the club's financial

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ROUND 3 — 8.5.77

DIVISION 4 EAST: Linatex v. Cester United; Public Works 'B' v. The Age; Ringwood Lanes v. McColl Dynamo 'B'; Stone Platt v. Tessa Town; Fibremakers United Bye.

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DIVISION 4 WEST: C.I.G. v. Siemens 'B'; Gascor City v. Aquila Steel; Parory Florinis v. Middle Park V.R.I. 'B'; Quaker-Luv v. R.A.A.F. Point Cook; James Miller Bye.

ROUND 4 — 15.5.77

DIVISION 4 EAST: Cester United v. Ringwood Lanes; McColl Dynamo 'B' v. Fibremakers United; Tessa Town v. Public Works 'B'; The Age v. Linatex; Stone Platt Bye.

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ROUND 5 — 29.5.77

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DIVISION 4 NORTH: A.R. Split v. A.G.C.F.; Caulfield Spears v. A.N.Z. Bank 'B'; Olympic Tyre v. A.H.D.; Repco Cooldrive v. K.S.C. United; Travellers Melbourne Bye.

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ROUND 6 — 5.6.77

DIVISION 4 EAST: Cester United v. Stone Platt; Public Works 'B' v. Ringwood Lanes; Tessa Town v. Linatex; The Age v. Fibremakers United; McColl Dynamo 'B' Bye.

DIVISION 4 NORTH: A.G.C.F. v. Repco Cooldrive; A.H.D. v. Caulfield Spears; A.N.Z. Bank 'B' v. Travellers Melbourne; K.S.C. United v. Olympic Tyre; A.R. Split Bye.

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ROUND 7 — 19.6.77

DIVISION 4 EAST: Fibremakers United v. Public Works 'B'; McColl Dynamo 'B' v. Tessa Town; Ringwood Lanes v. Linatex; Stone Platt v. The Age; Cester United Bye.

DIVISION 4 NORTH: Caulfield Spears v. K.S.C. United; Olympic Tyre v. A.G.C.F.; Repco Cooldrive v. A.R. Split; Travellers Melbourne v. A.H.D.; A.N.Z. Bank 'B' Bye.

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ROUND 8 — 26.6.77

DIVISION 4 EAST: Cester United v. McColl Dynamo 'B'; Linatex v. Fibremakers United; Public Works 'B' v. Stone Platt; Ringwood Lanes v. Tessa Town; The Age Bye.

DIVISION 4 NORTH: A.G.C.F. v. Caulfield Spears; A.H.D. v. A.N.Z. Bank 'B'; A.R. Split v. Olympic Tyre; K.S.C. United v. Travellers Melbourne; Repco Cooldrive Bye.

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ROUND 9 — 3.7.77

DIVISION 4 EAST: Firbemakers United v. Ringwood Lanes; McColl Dynamo 'B' v. The Age; Stone Platt v. Linatex; Tessa Town v. Cester United; Public Works 'B' Bye.

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ROUND 10 — 10.7.77

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ROUND 11 — 24.7.77

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DIVISION 4 NORTH: A.G.C.F. v. A.H.D.; A.R. Split v. A.N.Z. Bank 'B'; Olympic Tyre v. Caulfield Spears; Repco Cooldrive v. Travellers Melbourne; K.S.C. United Bye.

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ROUND 12 — 31.7.77.

DIVISION 4 EAST: Cester United v. Linatex; McColl Dynamo 'B' v. Ringwood Lanes; Tessa Town v. Stone Platt; The Age v. Public Works 'B'; Fibremakers United Bye.

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ROUND 13 — 7.8.77.

DIVISION 4 EAST: Fibremakers United v. McColl Dynamo 'B'; Linatex v. The Age; Public Works 'B' v. Tessa Town; Ringwood Lanes v. Cester United; Stone Platt Bye.

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ROUND 14 — 14.8.77.

DIVISION 4 EAST: Cester United v. Fibremakers United; McColl Dynamo 'B' v. Stone Platt; Public Works 'B' v. Linatex; The Age v. Ringwood Lanes; Tessa Town Bye.

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ROUND 15 — 28.8.77

DIVISION 4 EAST: Fibremakers United v. The Age; Linatex v. Tessa Town; Ringwood Lanes v. Public Works 'B'; Stone Platt v. Cester United; McColl Dynamo 'B' Bye.

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ROUND 16 — 4.9.77.

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ROUND 17 — 11.9.77.

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DIVISION 4 NORTH: A.N.Z. Bank 'B' v. A.H.D.; Caulfield Spears v. A.G.C.F.; Olympic Tyre v. A.R. Split; Travellers Melbourne v. K.S.C. United; Repco Cooldrive Bye.

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ROUND 18 — 18.9.77.

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Top ref graduates

National League referee David Yelland (left) is pictured at Melbourne University on graduation day, with two colleagues outside Wilson Hall where he received his Bachelor of Science degree. David, son of former referee and soccer writer George Yelland, teaches maths and science at Belmont high school in Geelong.

ZIKA NIKOLIC

Pecetak prvog nacionalnog nogometnog prvenstva Australije nije bio snezacionalan, kao sto su ocekivali preterani optimisti. Ali nije ni razocarao kao sto su predvidjali zlobnici i neverne Tome. Ustvari duboko je zaorana prva brazda, a sejanje i zetva tek dolaze. Definitivno je da ce neki klubovi biti teret i smetnja, sto ostali ce dugo trpeti, jer je Nacionalna Liga borba najboljih i najjacih, a ne oporaviliste i Crveni Krst.

Vazno je da su organizatori ispunili svu obecanja. Treba jedino rabiti nepoverenje publike, koja se nije odazvala prvog dana u ocekivanom broju. Podbacili su i Melburn i Sidnej, sto je donekle umanjilo tepotu otvaranja, ali je vec sutra dan bilo sve bolje, narocito u Melburnu.

Oko 3,000 gledalaca na utakmici J.U.S.T. — St. George/Budapest nije ni malo, a ni mnogo. Da je JUST dobio ocekivana pojacanja, bilo bi dva puta vise sveta. Ovako se racunalo, ne na poraz vec pravu katastrofu. Na papiru Budapest iz Sidneja ima najjacu momcad, koja je kostur reprezentacije Australije. Trener "plavih" Ceda Cirkovic je to dobro znao is planirao je taktiku da ublazi poraz. Medjutim, umalo sto nije izborio sa malo srece oba boda, sto ne bi bilo pravedno, ali nogomet je takva igra.

RUJEVIC DIGAO NOGU

Da Mirko Rujevic nije pomerio nogu, lopta bi ga udarila i odbila se verovatno u mrezu. Ali on je bio iznenadjen isto koliko i odbrana gostiju, koja je stajala nemocno kad je Picioane centrirao iz mrtvog ugla.

U prvom poluvremenu JUST se uglavnom branio, dok je Budapest uz pomoc vetra napadao, medjutim odbrana "plavih" je bila na visini celo vreme. Dva puta je golman Goland odlicno intervenisao.

U drugom poluvremenu se donekle promenila situacija na igralistu, jedino je navala JUST-a bila suvise mekana za ostru i beskompromisnu odbranu gostije iz Sidneja. Samo jedan borbeni spic igrac bio bi dovoljan JUST-ovoj navali u ovom trenutku. Dolazak tri igraca is Jugoslavije treba da resi ovaj problem, bez koga nema ni golova ni bodova. Vlado Radic ne moze da igra, jer je dosao sa turistickom vizom na dva meseca. Pitanje je da li ce se molba za stalni boravak usvojiti, tako da su jedina nada Srdanovic, Blagojevic i Ristic, koji imaju potrebne kvalifikacije za useljavanje.

CIRINA IZJAVA

Posle utakmice urednik "Soccer Action-a" je zapitao trenera JUST-a Cedu Cirkovica sta misli o rezultatu i igri. Cirkovic je lakonski odgovorio: "Izracunajte koliko je platio svoje igrace St. George a koliko J.U.S.T., pa ce vam biti jasno ko je moralni pebednik!"

Kao sto je poznato utakmica se zavrsila 0:0. Igra je bila tehnicki na visini, ali neuzbudljiva jer su odbrane bilo neprobojne i vrlo oprezne. JUST je imao razloga da igra oprezno i defanizivno.

Sastav JUST-a: Boland, Milne, Kazi, Kriaris, Kondarios, Parrott (Adamdzikis), Palinkas, Micic (Rujevic), Picioane, Ilioski, Ristovski.

Mozda Je vazno naglasiti da je St. George/Budapest doputovao jedan dan ranije zbog aklimatizacije. Taj luksuz mogu sebi dozvoliti same najbogatiji, jer se na taj nacin troskovi uvecavaju za hiljadu dolara najmanje p utakmici u gostima.

Iduce subote 9. aprila JUST odlazi u Sidnej, gde ce igrati protiv vrlo jakog Hakoaha.

LIONSU AMPOL KUP

Preko 6000 gledalaca doslo je na Olympic Park da vidi prvo finale Ampol Kupa bez klubova Nacionalne Lige Australije. Essendon/Lions je sasvim zasluzeno savladao George Crossa sa 3:0 (2:0), zahvaljujuci odlicnoj igri najmladjih igraca, medju kojima Edi Krnjcevic zasluzuje najvecu pohvalu. Svi su izgledi da ce Essendon/Lions biti jedini favorit u drzavnoj ligi, ali verujemo da ce i Makedonija pojacati svoj tim.

BEZ PORAZA TRECI

U Cumberland Kupu drugi tim JUST-a je napravio najvece iznenadjenje, ali u zavrsnici nije imao sreca. Posle dva autogola protiv Dovetona igrao se produzetak od pola sata. Posto ni tada nije bilo pobednika odlucili su penali, ali i nepazljivost sudije. U borbi za trece mesto JUST je igrao daleko bolje tehnicki od svih protivnika, a protiv Fawknera su nekoliko puta isprecila stativa i precka.

Sastav JUST-a: Stefanides, Karic, Grbac, Aceski, Stojceski, Cankovic, Taleski, T. Petreski, Hrljevic (Belic), P. Petriski, Verdi.

TARAX PODELIO BODOVE

Prvu prvenstvenu utakmicu Industriske Lige Tarax je bio prinudjen da igra bez povredjenih Mladenovica i Brkica, zbog cega su morali da se zadovolje sa neresenim rezultatom protivu borbene ekipe Melbourne Meat Supply. Rezultat 3:3 (3:1). U prvom delu niz vetar, Tarax je imao vise od igre i vodio sa 3:1. Milos Adamovic je igrao odlicno i postigao sva tri gola. MESARI su u drugom poluvremenu iskristili vetar, pa su izravnali rezultat na 3:3. Pored toga Tarax je igrao od 50. minuta sa 10 igraca, jer se Sekula Tomic povredio (a dva igraca su vec zamenjena).

Pored Adamovica, neospornog junaka ove utakmice, treba pohvaliti golman Sandor Kazija, Radeta Milanovica i Karla Feketu, jer su u kriticnim trenucima jedini bili hladnokrvni.

Jedina nasa dva momka medju mesarima (ostali su Svabe) bili su strici Taraxovog protivnika: Joze Rajher 2 i Vili Borovnjak 1.

Sastav Taraxa: Kazi 7, G. Kostromin 6 (McCall 6), Fekete 7, Rankovic 7, Milanovic 7, R. Kresinger 6 (Jakovincic 6), M. Kresinger 7, Rusmir 7, Tomic 6, Adamovic 8, V. Kostromin 6.

I JUNIORI POCELI

Prosle nedelje je pocelo juniorsko prvenstvo Melburna. Tako se dogodilo da JUST-ov tim ispod 13 godina vec u prvom kolu bude gost Essendon/Lionsa. Posle lepe i uzbudljive igre pobedili su JUST-ovi malisani sa 3:0 (1:0). U navali je bio odlican Rajko Trkulja, strelac dva gola, dok su bekovi Karic i Redzep bili nepolazno. Novi JUST-ov golman Joe Racz je odbranio jedanaesterac u prvom minutu igre. Sastav JUST-a: Racz, Karic, Redzep, Oblak, Gagic, Dimoski, D. Milenkovic (S. Milenkovic), R. Trkulja, Cvetkovski, Skubevski, D. Trkulja.

Ispod 15 godina: J.U.S.T. — Altona 1:1 (1:0). Strelac za JUST: Dragan Petrovski.

PRVENSTVO JUGOSLAVIJE

U subotu su odigrane dve utakmice. Zvezda je u Beogradu pobedila Vojvodinu sa 3:1, dok su u Zagrebu ZAGREB i Olimpija igrali 1:1. Ostali rezultati Prve Lige: Napredak-Sloboda 4:0, Beograd-Partizan 2:2, Dinamo-Hajduk 2:1 (Cerin, Bedi i Djordjevic), Zeljeznicar-Sarajevo 3:0, Radnicki-Borac 1:2, Buducnost-Velez 3:0.

Tabela: Crvena Zvezda 33 boda, Dinamo 29, Sloboda 26 itd. Strelci za Zvezdu: Bogicevic 2 i Savic, Lerin za Vojvodinu.

DRUGA LIGA-ISTOK: Lovcen-Teteks 1:1, Radnicki (P)-Bor 0:0, Bregalnica-Jedinstvo 2:0, Vardar-Trepca 3:0, Dubocica-FAP 0:0, Pobeda-Lirija 2:0, Borac-Kosovo 5:2, Sumadija-Rad 1:0, Cukaricki-Radnicki (K) 2:0. TABELA: Trepca 30, Radnicki (P) 28 itd.

DRUGA LIGA-ZAPAD: Lastar-Maribor 2:1, Rudar-Merkator 2:0, Karlovac-Jedinstvo (Bl) 0:1, Iskra-Klinda 3:3, Dinamo-Jedinstvo (Br) 2:0, Proleter-Famos 1:1, Spartak-Metalac (odlozeno), Osijek-Varteks 4:1. TABELA: Novi Sad 28, Osijek 28, Klinda 27, Famos 27, Jedinstvo (Bihac) 27, Dinamo 26, Proleter 24 itd.

BILA NOC U MELBURNU

Drustvo prijatelja Hajduka u Melburnu jos uvek je aktivno, iako "majstorima s mora" ne ide najbolje u prvenstvu. Ali zato ce Jugo Kup i ove godine zavrsiti u Hajdukovoj riznici. Da bi sto pre bio zavrsen stadion u Splitu, koji ce biti jedan od najlepsih u juznoj Evropi, navjaci "bilih" ne prestaju sa skupljanjem novca na popularan nacin na zabavama. Ovogodisnja "Bila noc" se odrzava 9.4.1977 u "Southern Cross Hotelu", Melbourne.

We're slave labor for Tax Office

A view from the junior ranks
BY LEIF JENSEN

"All clubs to deduct income tax instalments at source, from fees paid to referees and linesmen, whether the fee is paid for junior or senior games."

So reads the latest letter received from Soccer House. My first comment was: "They have got to be joking", but on reading further, I am afraid that they are not joking at all.

We, the junior club secretaries, have been landed with jobs as unpaid tax collectors — as if we haven't got enough to do already!

I don't think the Australian Taxation Office is aware that junior secretaries are among the unpaid workers who do all sorts of jobs for the love of children and whatever sport they may be playing.

On the other hand, the tax people may know after all and are using us as cheap labor, to do a job that I would suggest they could give to some of the unemployed who collects money from the dole offices every week!

I also wonder what they would say if some of us started to claim our loss of wages and the personal expenses incurred while doing our secretary's job on our next tax return. I don't think they would accept this, do you?

The reason we have been landed with this job is of course obvious. It can only be because referees have not declared their true earnings from games — in other words, they have been cheating the taxation department, so in order to control this the department has recruited us to do its work. I don't like it, and I am sure the other club secretaries feel the same way.

It would surely be more correct if the appointments officers for referees submitted a list of games allocated to referees to the Tax Department every week so the department could check this against any referee's tax return.

Doing it this way would at least leave the burden in the right place — with the people who get paid something for their work, not with those who do not receive a cent.

I would also suggest that the Referees' association is a group of self-employed men who are offering their services to clubs, and as such, we should **NOT** have anything to do with their tax.

You do not deduct anything from a taxi driver's fare every time you catch a taxi, do you?

Think about it, but not for too long. We should get together on this one and protest very strongly in the right place — namely the Tax Department. Let us put a stop to such nonsense.

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I will finish off with a few items which bear mentioning.

A thanks to the Socceroos for giving Australian soccer a big boost. Keep it up boys. Your winning will make soccer grow stronger.

Well done Dunlop-Slazenger for donating four match balls to the junior teams participating in the big Ampol Cup night at Olympic Park last Friday.

A thank you from the people concerned. To **Bill Allison** and Stokes for making the Junior Ampol Cup trophy look like new again.

And last but not least, did you know that we now have 661 junior teams playing soccer every weekend in Melbourne alone? See if you can beat that, Mr Barassi. You have Buckley's, mate!

Doveton goes on spending spree

Victorian Second Division club Doveton went on a spending spree last week, forking out about $4000 for four new players.

They are:

Sam Murray, defender from Frankston City.

Peter Pryde, striker from Frankston City, brother of Frankston coach John Pryde.

Jimmy McMinimee, midfielder, bought from Albion Rovers, formerly of Frankston.

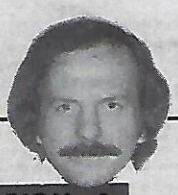
Godwin Hili, forward, from George Cross.

Doveton is coached by **Brian Sdgley** who won the Victorian coach of the year award while with Mooroolbark in 1975.

Edgley coached South Melbourne Hellas for the first half of last year before being succeeded by Manny Poulakakis.

PENINSULA TRIALS

The Peninsula area regional trials for Victorian State team selection are being run at the Karingal United ground, Ballam Park off Cranbourne Rd., Frankston. The trials are for U/13, U/14 and U/15 age groups.



PETER GEORGIOU of the 'Hellenic Herald'

ΕΞΑΙΡΕΣΕΙΣ ΑΠΟ
ἀπό τήν ἀρχή

Τό πρῶτο ἐθνικό πρωτάθλημα ἤδη ἄρχισε καί ἀπό τήν πρώτη του κι' ὅλας μέρα ἄρχισαν νά φαίνωνται οἱ ἀδυναμίες τῶν διοργανωτῶν της. Ἄρχισαν οἱ ἐξαιρέσεις καί οἱ προτιμήσεις ἀπό μέρους τῆς ἑταιρείας πού χρηματοδοτεῖ τήν ὅλη διοργάνωση.

Μία ἀπό τίς ἐξαιρέσεις πού προκάλεσε ἰδιαίτερη ἐντύπωση εἶναι στήν ὑπόθεση τῶν ὀνομάτων τῶν ὁμάδων.

Ὕστερα ἀπό τόσες συζητήσεις, ἄρθρα τά ὁποῖα γράψαμε καί καμμιά φορά ὑποσέσεις, ἔγινε πλέον κανόνας ὅτι τά ἐπίσημα ὀνόματα τῶν ὁμάδων θά εἶναι Ἀγγλικά —διότι Αὐστραλέζικα δέν εἶναι— ἀλλιῶς, κατά τήν γνώμη τους, τό ποδόσφαιρο στήν Αὐστραλία δέν θά πάη μπροστά.

Παραμερίζουμε ὅμως γιά αὐτή τήν ἔκδοση τό θέμα «προόδου» καί κυττάζουμε τό θέμα «ὀνόματα» τῶν συλλόγων. Βλέπουμε ἀμέσως ὅτι ἔγιναν ἐξαιρέσεις σέ ὁμάδες τοῦ Σύδνεϋ, ὅπως ἡ Χακόα, τό Μαρκόνι, καί ἡ Βουδαπέστη.

Τήν ὥρα πού ἡ Ἑλλάς Μελβούρνης, ἡ Ἑλλάς Ἀδελαΐδος, ὁ Ἀλέξανδρος καί ὁ Πανελλήνιος ἄλλαξαν τυπικά τουλάχιστον τά ὀνόματά τους γιά νά «συμορφωθοῦν» στίς ἀπαιτήσεις τοῦ Φίλιπς Σόκκερ Λήγκ, ὑπάρχουν οἱ προαναφερθέντες ὁμάδες πού διατήρησαν τά ἀρχικά του ὀνόματα.

Ἄν προσέξετε δίπλα στά νέα τους ὀνόματα ἐκτός ἀπό τό Μαρκόνι, ὑπάρχουν τά ἀρχικά τοῦ κλάμπ ὅπως π.χ. EASTERN SUBURBS H.F.C. Τό H.S.C σημαίνη Χακόα Φούτμπωλ Κλάμπ, ὅπως ἐπίσης καί τό B.S.C πού εἶναι δίπλα στό ὄνομα ST. GEORGE, σημαίνει Βουδαπέστη Σόκκερ Κλάμπ.

Τόσο στήν Ἑλλάς καί τόν Ἀλέξανδρο, ὅσο καί στήν Τζάστ καί τίς ὑπόλοιπες ὁμάδες πού ἄλλαξαν ὀνόματα —ἔστω καί τυπικά— ἀπαγορεύτηκε νά χρησιμοποιήσουν τό ἀρχικό τοῦ παλαιοῦ τους ὀνόματος.

Ἔτσι τώρα τό SOUTH MELBOURNE, τό ἀκολουθοῦν μόνο τά ἀρχικά S.C. καί ὄχι H.S.C' τό FITZROY UNITED ἐπίσης καί ὄχι ALEXANDER, ἐνῶ ἡ Ἑλλάς Ἀδελαΐδος κατόρθωσε νά ἔχη τό ὄνομά της σέ παρένθεση.

Ὑπάρχουν σέ κάθε κανόνα ἐξαιρέσεις καί ὅπως φαίνεται τό ἴδο ἰσχύει καί γιά τά ὀνόματα ὡρισμένων ὁμάδων οἱ ὁποῖες φαίνεται ὅτι μποροῦν νά ἐπηρεάσουν καταστάσεις.

Ἦταν ὅμως γενικός ὁ κανόνας καί δέν προέβλεπε ἐξαιρέσεις.

Κατά πόσο τά σωματεῖα πού τά ὀνόματά τους ἀλλάχτηκαν, πρόβαλαν ἀντίσταση καί κατά πόσο ἔκαναν ὑποχωρήσεις παραμένα εἶναι μιά ἀπό τίς σκοτεινές πτυχές τοῦ πρώτου ἐθνικοῦ πρωταθλήματος.

Ὅσο καί νά ἐπιμένουν οἱ ἰθύνοντες τῆς νέας κατηγορίας ἡ ἀλλαγή τῶν ὀνομάτων .τῶν συλλόγων δέν θά βοηθήση σέ τίποτα ὅσον ἀφορᾶ τήν προσοχή τοῦ ποδοσφαίρου. Τό μόνο πού θά φέρη τούς φιλάθλους ἀκόμη καί Αὐστραλούς, στά γήπεδα εἶναι ἡ ποιότητα τοῦ ποδοσφαίρου. Τά γκόλ.

Ὅταν ὅμως οἱ ἰθύνοντες ἐπιμένουν νά θέλουν ἀλλαγή στά ὀνόματα διότι ἔτσι νομίζουν ὅτι θά βοηθήσουν τό ποδόσφαιρο, εἶναι δικαίωμά τους. Ὁ κανόνας ὅμως θά πρέπει νά ἰσχύει γιά ὅλους καί ὄχι μόνον γιά λίγους νά γίνωνται ἐξαιρέσεις.

Πάντω τὸ SOCCER ACTION καί ἡ στήλη αὐτή δέν πρόκειται ν' ἀλλάξη τά ὀνόματα τῶν ὁμάδων. Γιά μᾶς ὁ ὁμάδες ἐξακολουθοῦν ν ὀνομάζονται Ἑλλάς καί Ἀλέξανδρος. Ἔτσι ἔχουν ἱδρυθῆ, ἔτσι τούς θέλουν οἱ ὀπαδοί τους πού γεμίζουν τά γήπεδα.

Ἄλλωστε γι' αὐτούς γράφουμε καί ἐμεῖς δέν μποροῦμε νά τούς στερήσουμε τό ὄνομα πού φωνάζουν μέσα στό γήπεδο.

Π. Γεωργίου

Koukoumas, Feretis star in Cup

VSF president Theo Marmaras presents the Greek Summer Cup to Collingwood captain Jim Loukas. At right is Taki Xanthopeules who donated the runner-up trophy.

Collingwood City Hercules won the seven-team Greek Summer Cup competition with 11 points, two more than runner-up Hawthorn.

The other teams that took part were Yarraville, Thornbury, Sandown, Cypriot Community, and Clifton Hill.

Angelo Feretis of Collingwood was top scorer with nine goals, **Con Koukoumas** of Cypriot Community was the fairest player and Cypriot Community the fairest team.

The champions' cup was donated by VSF president **Theo Marmaras** and the cup for the runner-up by former Hellas star **Taki Xanthopoulos.**

The players of Collingwood Hercules.

The players of Hawthorn, runners-up in the Greek Summer Cup.

$13,000 FOR KOJSZA

Canberra City's hopes of signing former Austrian First Division defender Steve Kojsza were dashed last week when his Australian club Admira asked for a $13,000 transfer fee.

Kojsza, 30, has also played for Rapid Vienna and Insbruck.

Canberra is now expecting utility player **Eddy Loyden** to arrive from Hong Kong. He previously played in South Africa and in England for a variety of clubs including Blackburn.

Top - class men on the board

If the expertise on its board of management is reflected in Canberra City's team, it will be a force to reckon with.

These are the men on the board:

President; **Dave Dillon,** public servant with the Education Deartment.

Secretary: **Hal Lesley,** swimming coach who runs the Dixon pool and former secretary of the ACT Soccer Federation.

Theo Moulis, restaurateur, owner of the Bacchus Tavern, Terrace Tavern and others;

Peter Vidovic, restaurateur, former J.U.S.T. player;

John Shaw, political journalist with the Sydney Sun.

Peter Windsor, journalist with the Immigration Department.

Alan Cringle, a sales manager;

Bill Arnold pharmacist;

Pat Stanley, ex-Pan Hellenic player, now a sales manager;

Steve Doszpot, sales manager for Sanyo;

Frank Milburn, manager of Alsco Linen;

Frank Cottier, manager of J. Blackwoods builders, employers of Canberra players Ivan Grujicic and Brian Stoddart.

Gerry pays a tribute to the Rovers

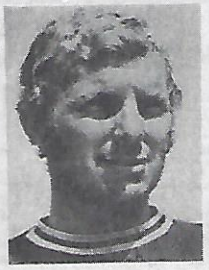
Things were jumping at the Tottenham Hotel in Sunshine when 150 members of Albion Leyland crowded at the front tables to see their honorary member Gerry Marsden and the Pacemakers, during one of his many visits.

Gerry made many comments about Albion and joked about playing for Albion next season.

He sang many of his great songs of the 60's, and finished by putting on his Albion supporter's scarf and singing the club's theme song: "You'll never walk alone", with all the members swinging to and fro to the music.

Moore to manage

LONDON, Former England captain Bobby Moore, 36, has confirmed that he hopes to become a manager when he finishes his playing career with Fulham at the end of the season.



Moore is believed to have dropped negotiations to take over the Hawaiian club in the North American Soccer League in the hope that a managing opportunity may arise for him nearer

Forward nets eight

Ardoer junior results:

UNDER 9: Werribee 1 Ardoer 1. Goal: Mark Sady. Best players: Paul Kolanowicz, Peter Segon, Mark Sady.

UNDER 10: Ardoer 0 West Utd. A 5. Best players: Steve Turczyniak, Mark Herman, Steve Negas, Richard Fryzlek.

UNDER 13: Ardoer 3 Altona B 1. Goals: Simon Luketic, Peter Febbraio, own goal. Best players: Simon Luketic, Robert Zander, Peter Febbraio.

UNDER 15: Ardoer 19 Chelsea O. Goals: Michael Pichner 8, John Saliba 5, Henry Gondek 2, Tony Pandur 1, Roman Kaczynski 1, Stan Manaszczuk 1, Derek De Sanes 1. Best players: Michael Pichner, John Saliba, Henry Gondek, Stan

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ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS

PRESIDENT: Charlie Caruso Ph. 51 6740
SECRETARY: Carmini Picarello Ph. 337 0241
GROUND: Olympic Sports Field Kensington
COACH: Edmund Kreft
COLOURS: Black/white.

This week's match: v. MARCONI at Marconi Oval, Sydney, 3 p.m. Sunday.

BRISBANE CITY

P.O. Box 265 BROADWAY, BRISBANE 4001
Club Phone: 356 8834

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Teams: PSL seniors, First Division team Spencer Park United, 15 junior teams from under 6 to under 18.
PSL home ground: Perry Park (Queensland soccer headquarters).
First Division ground: Spencer Park, Newberry St., Newmarket.
Secretary: Guido Canale, 52 4711.

This week's game: v. ST. GEORGE, at Sydney Sports Ground, 3 p.m. Sunday.

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Address	The Coconut Grove, Lilac St., Inala. Phone 372 2891
Secretary	M. Baeghew. Phone 372 2891
Coach	Les Sheinflug.
1st Div. Coach	Gulla Vincze
Teams	PSL Brisbane Lions, Ground Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd., Mayne. Phone 52 5328
1st Div. Team	Name Richlands Windmills
Ground	The Lions Stadium, Pine Rd., Richland Phone 372 2989
Colours	All orange with blue stripe.
Junior teams	20. From under 7 to under 18.

This week's match: v. CANBERRA CITY at Perry Park, Brisbane, 3 p.m. Sunday.

CANBERRA CITY

Secretary	Hal Lesley 81 1313
Coach	Johnny Warren 88 7886
Ground	Manuka Oval, Manuka
Teams	PSL seniors and reserves in ACT First Division
Reserve coach:	Vic Fernandez
Reserve ground:	Narrabundah Oval
Colors	Yellow with blue trim.
Sponsored by	Brian Pollock Motors

This week's match: v. BRISBANE LIONS at Perry Park, Brisbane, 3 p.m. Sunday.

FITZROY ALEXANDER

President: Jim Mangopoulos 419 2077.
Secretary: Sam Karinicilopoulos, 41 3177
Coach: Jim Adam 579 3942
Teams: PSL Seniors, Metro League Second Division team, juniors under 11 to under 17.
PSL ground: Olympic Park Sundays and Middle Park Saturdays.
Second Division ground: Fitzroy Cricket Ground.
Second Div coach: C. Giorgousis.
Colors: Black and gold.

This week's match: v. SOUTH MELB HELLAS at Middle Park, 3 p.m. Sunday.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.

Correspondence to	P.O. Box 122, East St. Kilda, Vic., club phone No. 68 4163 (match days)
Sponsored by	Yugoslav Airlines, (JAT)
Secretary	Harry Iser, 37 Shoobra Rd., Elsternwick, Vic. Phone 391 3231

Assistant sec.: Lou Tonovski, 46 Molesworth St., Coburg, Vic., phone 350 2147.
Second Div. ground: Schintler Reserve, Footscray.

This week's game: v. HAKOAH-EASTS, Sydney Sports Ground, 3 p.m. Saturday.

HAKOAH EASTERN SUBURBS

61 HALL ST., BONDI

Team manager	D. MacLaren
Secretary	Alan Rose. Phone 211 1028
Coach	Gerry Chaldi
Assistant	J. Lissing
Ground	Wentworth Park.
Sponsored by	V.I.P. Insurance.

This week's match: v. FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. at Sydney Sports Ground, Saturday, 3 p.m.

MARCONI

Sponsored by	Rosso Antico
Manager-coach:	Rale Rasic, Marconi club, 604 5222
Junior sec.:	Mick Daniel, 604 5222.
Ground	Marconi Oval, Marconi Rd., Bossley Park.
Teams	PSL seniors, two under 19s, under 12, under 13, under 14, under 15, under 16.

This week's match: v. ADELAIDE CITY at Marconi Oval, 3 p.m. Sunday.

MOOROOLBARK UNITED

Secretary-manager: Malcolm Jones, P.O. Box 35 Mooroolbark, phone 879 3916 (bus.)
Junior secretary: Bill Laven, 104 Penbrook Rd., Mooroolbark, phone 728 2482.
Teams: PSL seniors, Second Division seniors, Second Division reserves, 16 junior teams from under 8 to under 16.
PSL home ground: Middle Park for Saturday TV games, Wembley Park, Canterbury Road, Box Hill, Sundays.
Second Div ground: Esther Park, Esther Cres., Mooroolbark.

This week's match: v. SYDNEY OLYMPIC at Middle Park, 3 p.m. Saturday.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS

Secretary	Mick Sagalkos. Phone 53 6196 A.H. (Day 211 1247)
Coach	Manny Poulakakis
Teams	PSL Seniors and Reserves in 2nd Division.
Second Div. coach:	C. Xanthopoulos, T. Mantarakis.
Colours	Blue, White.
Junior Teams	Under 11 to Under 17.
Ground:	Middle Park.

This week's match: v. FITZROY ALEXANDER, Middle Park, 3 p.m. Sunday.

All girls who wish to enter Miss Hellas Quest contact Secretary on above number.

ST. GEORGE B.S.C.

Club: 84 Victoria Ave., Mortdale

Soccer president Alex Pongrass, 666 9229
Secretary: Les Bordacs, 269 2756
Coach: Manfred Schaefer, 579 6977
Ground: Sydney Sports Ground
Colors: white, red and green.

This week's match: v. BRISBANE CITY at Sydney Sports Ground. 3 p.m. Sunday.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC S.F.C.

President	M. Kontos. Phone 51 0444 ext. 8261.
General manager:	John Thompson, 982 1728
Secretary	N. Smilos Phone 88 1337
Coach	B. Stowell
Ground	Wentworth Park
Colours	Blue and White
Teams	PSL and 2 reserve teams
Reserves coach:	A. Antoniadis
Sponsored by	Olympic Airway and City Ford.

This week's match: v. MOOROOLBARK at Middle Park, Melbourne, 3 p.m. Saturday.

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS

Correspondence to:	Box 1130 GPO Adelaide, 5001
President	Dr Arthur Zaikos
Coach	Mike Johnson
Home ground	Hindmarsh Stadium, Hindmarsh.
Senior secretary:	E. Koutelas, 51 4307
Junior secretary:	M. Papazoglou, 43 7736

This week's match:. v. WESTERN SUBURBS, at Hindmarsh Stadium, 2.30 p.m. Saturday.

Don't miss Hellas' Anzac Day Dance at Salano Restaurant, Gouger St., Adelaide, on April 24.
And there's another dance on June 25 at Olympic Hall, Franklin Street, Adelaide.

WESTERN SUBURBS

William St., Five Dock Ph. 838672

Manager-coach: Mike Laing, 83-8672
Junior secretary: Laurie Grimes, 831 2660
PSL ground: Sydney Sports Ground
Teams PSL seniors, juniors from under 11s to under 16s.

This week's game: v. WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS, at Hindmarsh Stadium, 2.30 p.m. Saturday.